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CELEBRATIONS MARK BIRTH OF NEW IRISH STATE

DE VALERA DRIVES IN STATE TO CATHEDRAL

Dublin, December 29: The fifteen-year-old Irish Free State expired as Dublin clocks chimed at midnight and the new State of Ireland (Eire) was born as provided under the new Constitution and will be celebrated to-day with religious and military ceremonial throughout the State.

The last meeting of the Free State Executive Council was held yesterday: in the morning the Government of Ireland met and gave oath of allegiance to the new Constitution after which Mr. Eamon De Valera with his Ministers drove in state accompanied by cavalry, from the Government buildings through the principal streets to the Cathedral to join a distinguished congregation attending votive mass.

Catholics, Protestants, Jews and Quakers assembled in their respective places of worship this being the first time that all religious denominations joined in welcoming and interceding for the success of political measures.

A salute of twenty-one guns was fired near the city and troops of all garrisons paraded and saluted the flag after which the Irish National Anthem was played as flags fluttered from all public buildings.

Under the new Constitution Mr. De Valera will be known as Taoiseach (Irish equivalent to Fuehrer or Duce) The new permanent body of the Council of State similar to the British Privy Council comes into being as the President's advisory body of members of which Mr. De Valera is the Leader. Sean T. O'Kelly, Deputy Leader; O'Sullivan, Chief Justice; Maguire, President of the High Court; Fahy, Chairman of the Dail; Lynch, Attorney-General and W. Cosgrave.

The new President must be elected before August 27 by universal suffrage proportional to representation and will sign and promulgate all laws. In general he will act on the advice of the Government, but in a certain case on the advice of the Dail or Taoiseach.

While jurisdiction is claimed over the whole of Ireland it will not be exercised over Ulster. Divorce will not be recognised. Even if the person is divorced abroad he or she cannot re-marry in Ireland.—*Reuter*



Mr. De Valera

1938 EVEREST EXPEDITION

Mr. W. H. Tilman To Lead Party

We are authorized by the Mount Everest Committee to announce that the expedition which is to make a fresh attempt on the summit of Mount Everest in 1938 will consist of Mr. W. H. Tilman (leader), Captain N. E. Odell, Capt. P. R. Oliver, and Messrs. E. F. Shipton, F. S. Smythe, C. B. M. Warren, and Peter Lloyd, states the "Times." Mr. Tilman's story of the

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Exports Show Big Increase

£7,000,000 UP ON LAST YEAR

The Board of Trade returns of British overseas trade for November, issued on December 14, show: IMPORTS: £97,251,216—compared with £96,982,427 in October and £78,679,845 in November last year.

EXPORTS: £45,183,169—as against £47,216,048 in October and £38,441,349 in November last year. RE-EXPORTS: £5,305,646—against £5,698,531 and £3,432,816.

For the first eleven months of this year, imports totalled £935,412,236—an increase of £216,535,932 over the corresponding period of last year, and an increase of £251,856,353 over the same period of 1935.

Exports totalled £477,979,846—an increase of £77,726,061 over last year and of £86,842,365 over 1935. Re-exports were £70,224,009—an increase of £15,628,278 over last year and £20,402,934 over 1935.

SPANISH WAR NEWS

Madrid, Dec. 29.

The Spanish Government claims that one of the two strongholds held by Insurgents at Teruel has been captured while the seminary town is safe and many inhabitants sheltering there have been transferred to a convent nearby.

The Insurgents assert the garrison at Teruel is still holding out. There is little action on the other fronts.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

NATIONALIST PLANES SHOT DOWN

Barcelona, Dec. 29: Republicans claim to have shot down Nationalist machines in a big aerial combat over Teruel yesterday when a Nationalist squadron of twelve twin-engined bombers made an onslaught upon the Republican positions in North Teruel. A further message from this front says that Republican troops had now put themselves in possession of a strongly fortified training college.—*Transocean News Service.*

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON NEW YORK: 30-15/16
T.T. ON LONDON: 1s. 27/32.

London Silver Market:
(From Our Own Correspondent).

London, Dec. 29.
London silver prices to-day were up 1/4 as follows:—

	Dec. 28.	Dec. 29.
Spot	18-3/16	18-7/16
Forward	18-1/8	18-3/8

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NO IMMEDIATE DANGER TO HONG KONG

Fleet Reinforcements Postponed

LONDON KEEPS UP WITH SITUATION

London, Dec. 29: The situation in the Far East is being regarded more calmly again in political circles and it is pointed out that not only Britain but also the United States have received full satisfaction from the Japanese Government.

The dispatch of British military and naval reinforcements to the Far East therefore has been postponed for the time being, but it is stressed that preparations including an agreement with France (Continued on Back Page)



Mr. T. V. Soong, leader of the Bank Institute of the State of China, who together with his brothers-in-law, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Dr. H. H. Kung, has established a large triumvirate in the political China of modern days.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD CRICKET

Adelaide, Dec. 29.

In the Sheffield Shield cricket South Australia defeated Queensland by eight wickets. South Australia 429 for 8 wickets declared and 93 for 2 wickets; Queensland 93 and 426.

At Melbourne the match between New South Wales and Victoria ended in a draw. New South Wales 415 and 47 for one wicket; Victoria 184 and 380.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

JAPANESE ARREST WELSHMAN

Shanghai, Dec. 29: Jerry Morgan, a Welshman, who was formerly in the night promoting and night club businesses has been arrested by Japanese Consular Police at Garden Bridge on charges of complicity in an attempt to take illegal possession of three Japanese-owned oil barges. The Japanese handed over Morgan to the Settlement police, as the charges were in no wise connected with Japanese armed forces.—*Reuter.*

JAPAN THREAT TO FRANCE

Britain Will Take No Action

Mr. Mander asked in the House of Commons on December 15, if the Foreign Secretary would consider the advisability of exercising the right of Great Britain, under Article 11 of the Covenant of the League of Nations, to bring to the attention of the Council the action of Japan in threatening France that the French railways from Hanol, in Indo-China, running across the border into China, would be bombed if the transit of arms through French Indo-China continues, states the "Bulletin."

Mr. Eden—No, sir. This does not seem to be a matter for the initiative of the Government. Mr. Eden, replying to Sir Percy Harris, said that while no specific date had been fixed by the Japanese Government for the payment of compensation for damage done to British lives and property at Shanghai, Nanking, and elsewhere in China, negotiations were in progress for the payment of claims arising out of recent events in China.

EXCITEMENT IN VENETIAN ART CIRCLES

Milan, Dec. 29: Much excitement has been created in Venetian art circles by a report that the London National Gallery purchased four small paintings attributed to Giorgione. It is stated that the paintings which were recently acquired in Venice by a Venetian dealer for £400 have now been resold by a London firm to the National Gallery for £14,000 which is the equivalent of 1,300,800 lire.—*Transocean.*

CHURCHILL FOR CABINET?



MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL

Rumours Again Current

MODERATE TONE IN REFERENCE TO GERMANY

London, Dec. 29.

Rumours to the effect that a place in the British Cabinet will be found for Mr. Winston Churchill, who was Chancellor of the Exchequer from 1924 to 1929, continue to circulate in political circles here. The "News Chronicle" is the latest newspaper to draw attention to these rumours.

Only a small minority in the House of Commons is unwilling to endorse the view that the outstanding parliamentary capabilities possessed by Mr. Churchill should no longer continue to remain idle.

There has been a noticeable improvement in Mr. Churchill's relations with the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, and another significant fact is that in his recent speeches Mr. Churchill has adopted a more moderate tone in his references to Germany.

The "News Chronicle" feels certain that if he is asked to enter the Cabinet Mr. Churchill will not accept unless given one of the major posts.—*Transocean News Service.*

NEW EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT MAY BE FORMED

Cairo, Dec. 29.

King Farouk has ordered a Commission to investigate the differences between the Palace and the Premier. The Commission will consist of the present and past premiers, the Chief Justice and other Egyptian officials.

King Farouk stated that he will abide by the decision of the Commission but if Nahas Pasha refuses to consider the suggestions of the Commission a new Government is expected to be formed.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

Riots On Board Japanese Ships In Osaka

Youth Killed In Disturbance

Shanghai, Dec. 29: Chinese press reports from Osaka stated that a commotion broke out aboard two steamers of the N.Y.K. when 7,000 troops were dispatched on December 28 for Formosa.

The crew, according to the reports, shouted "Down with Aggression," "Down with the Militarists." Police arrived in time to suppress the riot, many seamen being arrested. During the melee, a youth aged 15 was killed and several were injured.

Tokyo reports, which are yet unconfirmed, stated that several students of the Tokyo Imperial University were arrested because leaflets were found on their premises showing their connection with revolutionaries in Korea and Formosa.—*International News Agency.*

BUDGE BEATS CRAWFORD

Sydney, Dec. 29.

In the International Tennis Tournament, Adrian Quist (Australia) beat Henner Henkel (Germany) 6-2, 6-4, 6-2 while Baron Gottfried von Cramm defeated John Bromwich 6-2, 7-5, and 6-1. Australia now leads by three matches to one. In an exhibition game Donald Budge beat Jack Crawford 7-5, 6-1, 6-1.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

COLONY RIFLE TEAMS

INTER-COLONIAL MATCH TO-DAY

After several practice shoots, the names of those who will represent the Colony in the two matches which, weather permitting, will be fired this afternoon on the Army Ranges at Kowloon City, are as follows:—

S.R. (A)
Captain of Team: 2/Lt. A. C. Pullman, 1/Middlesex Regt.
Superintending Officers: Lieut. R. F. Jenks, R.N. and Captain W. Newton, 1/Middlesex Regt.

Team: P.O. H. Richards (R.N.), Sgt. V. W. Cooper (1/Midd'x Regt.), Lt. Cpl. R. F. Langford (1/Midd'x Regt.), Lt. Cpl. T. F. Baker (1/Midd'x Regt.), Lt. Cpl. E. J. Jordan (1/Midd'x Regt.), Pte. E. J. Moss (1/Midd'x Regt.), Sgt. J. C. W. Bickell (R.M.), Cpl. Puran Singh (H.K.P.).
Reserves: Pte. A. H. Cox (1/Midd'x Regt.), Pte. B. Cranston (1/Seaford).

S.R. (B)
Captain of Team: Major D. H. Steers, O.B.E., R.E.

Superintending Officers: Two officers from the 1/Midd'x Regt.
Team: P.O. C. Pellow (R.N.), Mr. C. Watson (D.R.C.), Sgt. C. R. Mannell (R.M.), Cpl. E. T. Morris (R.M.), Captain F. G. Ratcliffe (1/R.U.R.), Lieut. R. S. Hawkins (R.E.), Cpl. L. G. Miller (R.M.), Mr. W. Austin (D.R.C.).
Reserves: Sgt. F. E. Russell (H.K.P.), Mr. G. H. Lakeman (D.R.C.).
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30,000 WORKERS THROWN OUT OF JOBS

New York, Dec. 29.

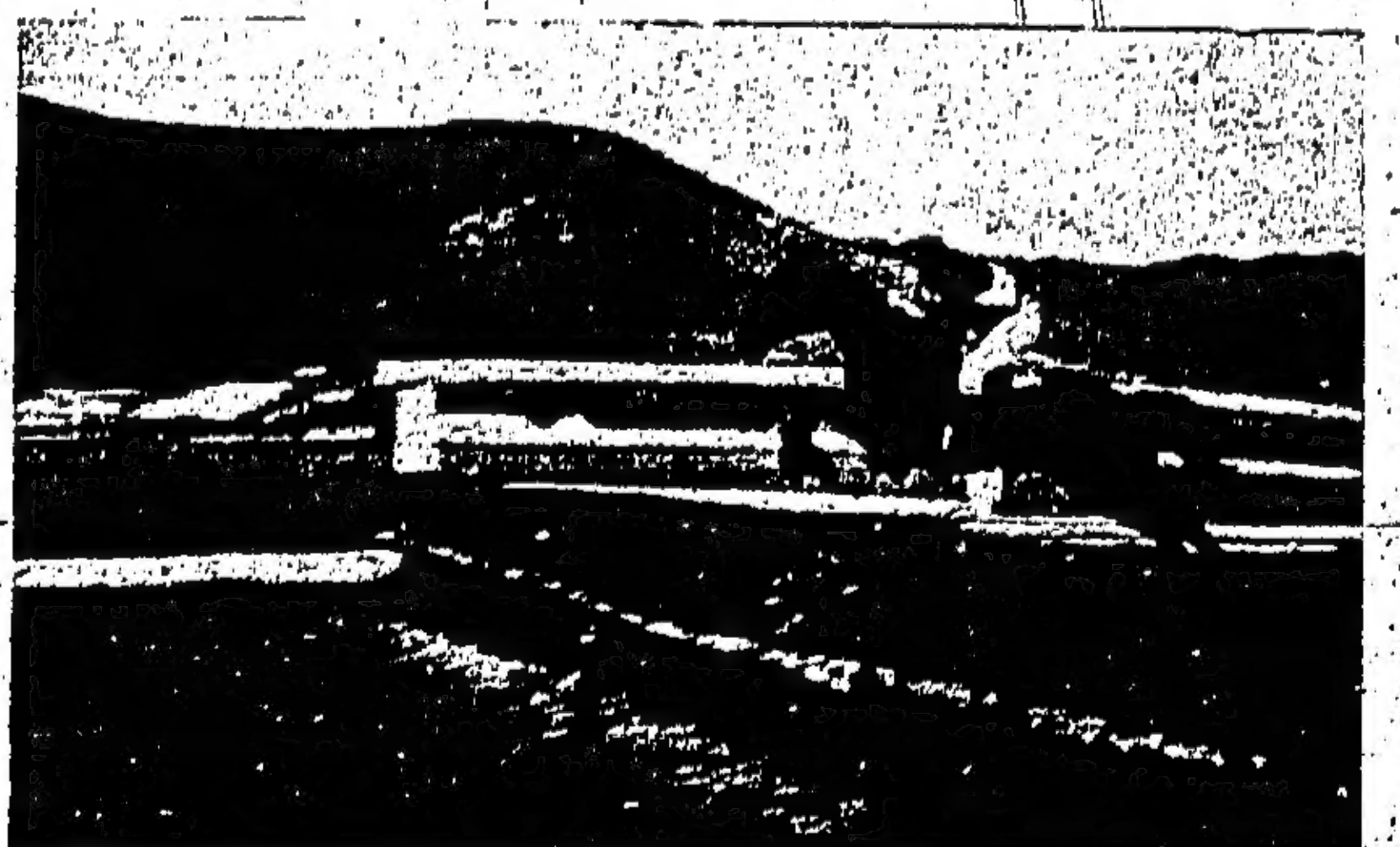
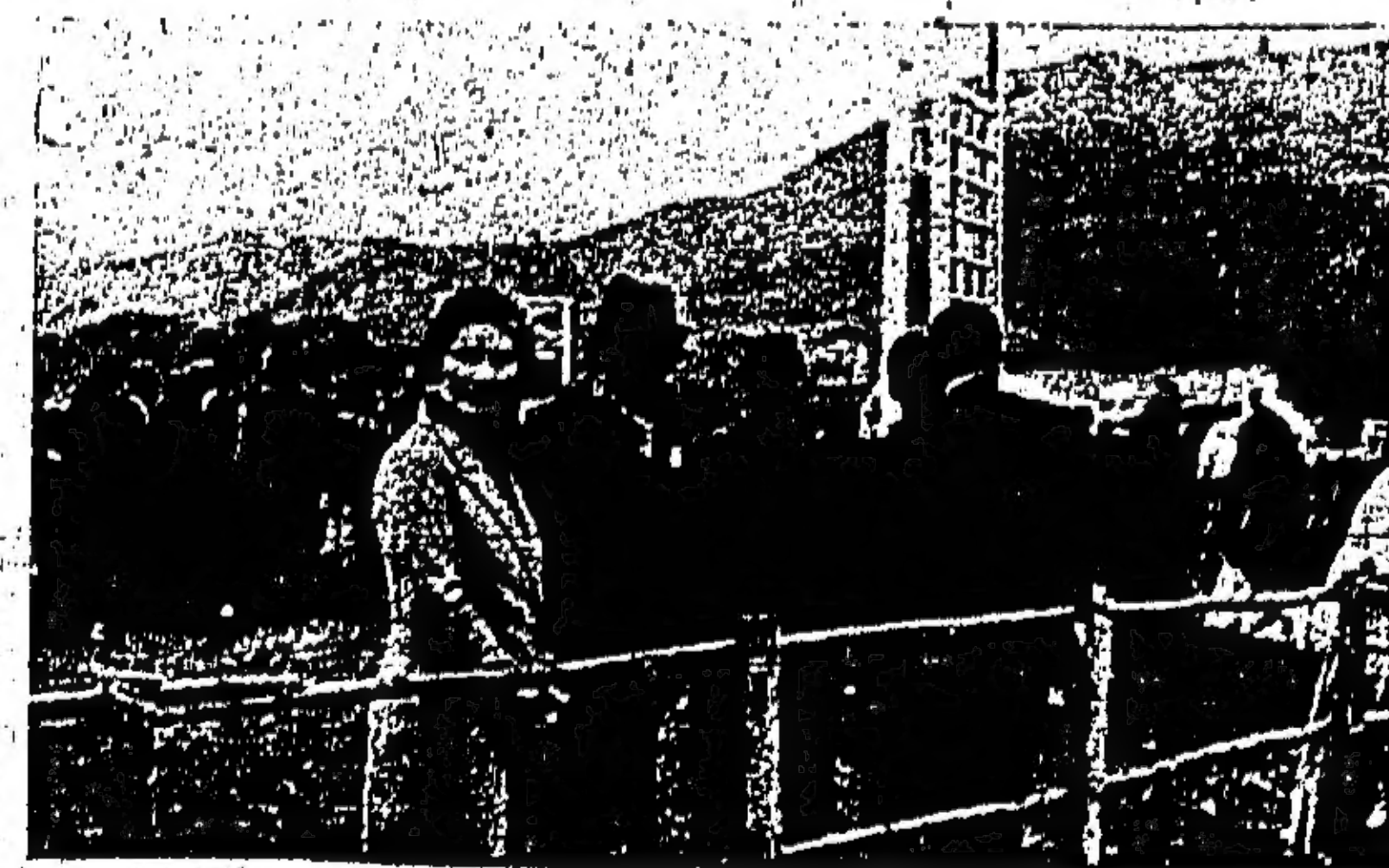
Thirty thousand workers at the General Motors plants will be thrown out of work by January 1. The President of the Corporation stated that he regretted the action but the Corporation was unable to carry large stocks due to the employment of the full number of workmen even at reduced hours of work. Proposed production has been limited to three days a week until the situation is better.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

JAPANESE TROOPS SURROUNDED

Tunglu, Chekiang, Dec. 29: Two thousand Japanese troops near Yuhang, about 15 kilometres west of Hangchow, were surrounded by a Chinese column which launched a counter-offensive from Linan, some 45 kilometres west of Hangchow late this afternoon. Fierce fighting is still going on.

The counter-offensive was understood to have been ordered by the Chinese military command simultaneously with that on Fuyang by two columns of Chinese troops from Hsinteng and Tunglu, both southwest of Hangchow.—*Central News.*

PERSONALITIES AT THE KWANTI RACES

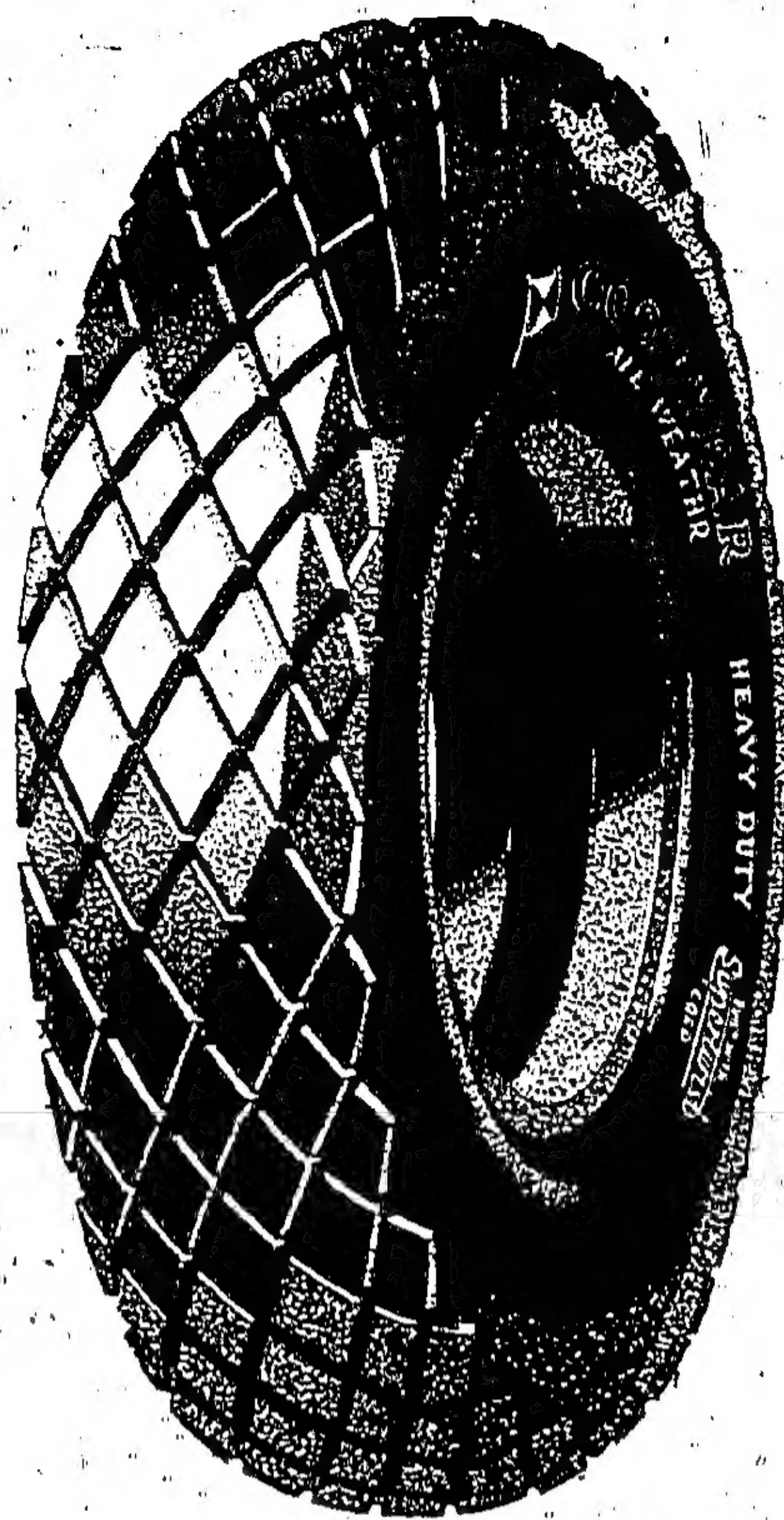


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MAGISTRATE REVERSES DECISION

WOMAN CONVICTED ON CHARGE OF RECEIVING

VALUABLE RING RESTORED TO JEWELLERY SHOP

The big jewellery receiving case in which the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo prosecuted was concluded before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday when, after expressing the opinion that the defendant might have been an innocent tool, the Magistrate later reversed his decision and registered a conviction, upon which the prosecution submitted a plea for leniency.

The defendant, Lal Wai-chuen, 30-year old widow, was charged with receiving a ring set with diamonds, valued at \$6,300 knowing it to have been stolen. This ring was part of a collection of jewellery to the total value of \$29,000 with which Ng Tat-sheung, a broker well-known to the Chinese jewellers of Queen's Road Central, had absconded in April of this year. Ng has been arrested in Saigon and is awaiting extradition proceedings there.

One of the witnesses who testified yesterday was Li Tsut-wan, who lived at the same address (No. 129 Johnston Road, third floor) as the defendant. She said she had gone with defendant to the Tai Wah Jewellers on the day the ring was offered there for sale, but had not known that there would be such a transaction attempted, as she had only accompanied defendant. A week before the date in question, December 1, a young woman had called at their address but witness did not see anything handed to defendant.

CASE TO ANSWER

His Worship held that defendant had a case to answer and she elected to make a statement, which follows:—"The ring was handed over to me by a person surnamed Choy, who said it was given to her by Ng to be brought back. In truth I did not know it was stolen property. Had I known it was I would not have dared to sell it. I took it to the Tai Wah to sell, she having told me she was going to Canton and would come back about eight or ten days later to get the money. All the other jewellery were brought to me for sale by Wong Choy and I was to get commission on them. There were two occasions when I went with Wong Choy to sell them."

His Worship: I don't think there is sufficient evidence here to render it absolutely impossible that this woman is an innocent tool. It was open to her to say, and she did say, that she did not know it was stolen. I there...

Mr. Lo (interposing): Your Worship, the last thing I really want to do is to press for a conviction. But defendant has not given evidence in this case at all. Once you held there was a case for her to answer, and called upon her to answer, I respectfully submit I don't see how Your Worship could discharge her. She has said she did not know it was stolen. All the receivers in the world could say that and if that were accepted...

ed there would not be any case at all of a receiver being brought to book.

His Worship: I have taken into consideration the fact that she was not represented. If she had been she would probably have gone into the box.

Mr. Lo then commented on some outstanding points of the case and the weakness of the woman's defence, repeating that she had given no explanation.

After further consideration, His Worship said: I think there is weight in what you have said, Mr. Lo, but I wish to give her another chance. I will again give her an opportunity to go into the box if she wishes to do so.

SEARCHING CROSS- EXAMINATION

The defendant accepted the offer. In the witness box she repeated what she had said in her statement. Then followed searching cross-examination by Mr. Lo, during which the woman contradicted herself several times. To Lo's concluding request to her to give a rational explanation why she had told sub-inspector Whant that the ring had been given to her by the woman witness Li when, as she now said, Choy had handed it to her, defendant said she was rather timid at the time and made a mistake in what she said.

His Worship (to defendant): I find you guilty.

NOT PRESSING CASE

Mr. Lo: Having obtained a conviction, I would like to say both Sub-inspector Whant and I are not pressing. I don't mind saying now that from our information there is no doubt there is a big gang behind and she is not the prime mover. I leave the matter in your Worship's hands, of course, but personally I hate the idea of a woman going to prison.

His Worship: It seems to me, now that I am satisfied she was not an innocent tool, that it is a very serious offence.

Mr. L: Yes, the only plea in extenuation is her sex.

His Worship (to defendant): The prosecution are not pressing the case and I will give you the option of a fine. Fined \$100, with the alternative of six weeks' imprisonment.

An order for the restitution of the ring to the Tin Wau Jewellery shop, the firm who had handed it to the broker Ng for sale, was made.

'ACCIDENTAL DEATH'

A verdict of accidental death was returned by a Coroner's jury at the Central Magistracy yesterday at the conclusion of the inquiry into the death of Mun-kan, a 47-year old coolie, who died from a fracture of the skull and laceration of the brain on December 6, as the result of falling from lorry No. 2358 in Des Voeux Road near the Gas Works. Mr. R. A. D. Forrest sat as Coroner and the jury comprised Messrs V. M. Xavier (foreman), Chan Cheung-mai and Wai Mah-lok. Traffic-Sergeant Clark represented the police.

Dr. R. S. Begbie, Medical Officer in charge of Victoria Mortuary, said he examined the deceased on the morning of December 6, and in his opinion the cause of death was fracture of the skull and laceration of the brain. The conditions found were consistent with a fall from a lorry.

Li Wing-yue, driver of the lorry, said on the day in question he was driving his lorry along Des Voeux Road near the Gas Company, going eastwards. The lorry had 30 baskets of vegetables loaded. They were placed in bundles of three, one on top of another and was not tied to the lorry. He was responsible for the loading. In the body of the lorry were five coolies and there was another sitting beside him. Those behind were sitting on the baskets of vegetables.

GAMBLING RAID

Nearly \$300 was picked up in a gambling raid on No. 188 Lockhart Road, first floor, on Tuesday night, and 19 men were taken into custody.

Only seven of the men appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday when one man was charged with keeping a gaming house and the other six with gambling.

Detective Sub-inspector W. N. Darkin said he conducted the raid at 10.45 p.m. and had to break into the premises. He found that though most of the people there were unemployed refugees from various parts of China, the place was run on a large scale by professional gamblers.

First defendant, Chan Tui-chi, pleading guilty to the charge against him, was fined \$25. Five of the others admitted gambling and were fined \$5 each. One man denied the charge and was discharged.

Of the 12 absentees one was on \$100 bail and the other eleven on \$5 each, all of which was estreated.

The sum of \$275.50 picked up was ordered to be put in the Poor Box.

got down, and found deceased lying in the tram tracks. At the time of the accident he thought he was going at 12 miles an hour.

Traffic Sergeant Dall said when he weighed the lorry after the accident he found it to be 11 cwt. overweight. This, however, was not considered very serious. He thought the lorry was going at a moderate speed at the time.

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STAPLES SURPRISES!

VEGETABLES ARE IMPORTANT IN HOLIDAY MENU PLANNING!

Perhaps you are having roast turkey—or it may be that roast duck or chicken are your choice. Perhaps a roast of beef with Yorkshire pudding seems to you the perfect meat choice for New Year dinner. In any case you'll want to serve vegetables as carefully selected and prepared as your meat course. Here we suggest certain vegetables appropriate to serve with the various fowls or meat you may be apt to choose.

To Serve with Roast Duck CASSEBOLE OF SWEET POTATOES AND APPLE

Boil 6 large sweet potatoes, peel and slice. Arrange a layer of potatoes in the bottom of a greased casserole. Over these a layer of apples. Dot with butter, sprinkle with brown sugar and a faint suggestion of mace. Then proceed with the remainder of the potatoes and apples, giving each double layer the sugar-and-butter seasoning. Mix 1 cup hot water with 1 cup honey and pour over all. Bake in a moderate oven until the syrup is thick and the apples tender. You may use maple syrup in place of the honey if desired.

To Serve with Roast Beef LIMAS ESCALLOPED

2 cups cooked dried limas
1 tablespoon butter
1 tablespoon minced parsley
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon pepper
Fine bread crumbs
Dash paprika
1 cup milk

Put the limas in a buttered baking dish, add seasonings, pour over the milk, sprinkle top with fine bread crumbs and coat with bits of butter. Bake in a moderate oven until the crumbs are brown—about 20 minutes. If desired 1 cup grated cheese may be sprinkled over the limas before adding bread crumbs.

To Serve with Roast Turkey/ CANDIED SWEET POTATOES

4 sweet potatoes
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup melted butter
1 cup brown sugar
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce

Cook potatoes until tender. Drain, peel and cut in slices lengthwise. Arrange close together in a shallow greased pan. Meanwhile cook salt, brown sugar, and water together for 5 minutes. Stir in melted butter and Worcestershire sauce. Spread over potatoes and bake in a moderate oven for 45 minutes.

To Serve with Roast Beef

1 1/2 pounds onions
3 1/2 tablespoons butter
1 1/2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup soft bread crumbs
1 cup grated American cheese
Cut onions in thin slices crosswise and cook in boiling salted water about 10 minutes till tender. Melt butter in frying pan and saute onions until they are well coated with butter. Add salt and Worcestershire sauce. Turn into a greased glass pie plate and sprinkle with crumbs and cheese. Bake 15 minutes in hot oven until the cheese is melted and the crumbs are brown.

To Serve with Chicken CREAMED SPINACH

1 pound spinach
1 cup boiling water
Cook together for 5 minutes or until tender in an uncovered saucepan. Drain and chop the spinach.
1 tablespoon butter
1 cup evaporated milk
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon pepper
Return the spinach to the saucepan and add the above ingredients. Heat thoroughly and serve at once.

Serve with Roast Duck FRENCH FRIED CAULIFLOWER

1 medium-size cauliflower
Yolks of 2 eggs
1/2 cup milk
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup flour

Wash the cauliflower and separate into flowers. Boil until tender in salted water, then drain. A slice of lemon added to the cauliflower keeps it perfectly white. Beat the egg yolks until light. Add the milk, salt and flour. Beat smooth with an egg beater. Dip each section of cauliflower into batter. Drop in deep hot fat and fry until a golden brown. As a variation of the above recipe dip the cauliflower in beaten egg and fine dry bread crumbs instead of the batter.

BAKED CORN—With Chicken

3 cups canned corn
1 minced green pepper
1 cup buttered crumbs
2 eggs
2 tablespoons melted butter
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon paprika
Beat eggs slightly. Add them to corn with minced pepper, butter, salt and paprika. Turn into baking dish, sprinkle with buttered crumbs and bake in moderate oven 20 minutes.

CHRISTMAS COOKIES

1/2 cup shortening
1 cup granulated sugar
2 eggs, well beaten
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 1/2 cups cake flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 egg white
1/2 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup chopped nuts
Cream shortening; add granulated sugar and mix well. Add eggs, vanilla, flour, salt and baking powder sifted together. Mix well and spread in a greased pan 9x12 inches. Beat egg white till stiff, then add brown sugar, while continuing to beat till stiff. Last fold in nuts. Spread over the mixture in the pan and bake in moderate oven 25 minutes. Remove from oven and cut in 2-inch squares.

Dainties For The Children's Party

FRUIT WHIP

Cut a few sponge cakes in half, place in a glass dish. Put on this some cold fruit puree apple or other stewed fruits or some preserved pineapple cut into slices. Whisk up the white of an egg or 1/2 gill of cream, pile it roughly on top, then dredge with fine sugar and decorate to taste.

CHEESE AND GUAVA SANDWICHES

Spread slices of white or brown bread with creamed butter. On half the number of slices put a layer of cream cheese and sprinkle it with chopped or grated nuts. Spread the other slices with guava jelly, and sandwich together. Press lightly, trim neatly, and cut to the desired size.

DAINTY SANDWICHES

Spread thin slices of brown bread and butter with honey, and sprinkle with chopped nuts. Cover each slice with another piece of bread and butter.

Spread slices of white bread and butter with mashed bananas and a little apple jelly and cover.

CHOCOLATE ALMONDS

Dissolve some dried chocolate in the smallest possible quantity of hot water and flavour it to taste with vanilla essence. Dip each almond in separately, and place them on an oiled slab or plates to set.

COCOANUT KISSES

1 lb. flour
2 ozs. sugar
3 ozs. butter
2 ozs. desiccated coconut
1 little grated lemon rind
1 teaspoonful baking powder
1 egg
A little milk
Sieve the flour and sugar into a basin, and rub in the butter until free from lumps. Add the coconut, baking powder and lemon rind and mix together. Make a well in the centre of the ingredients, add the egg well beaten and enough milk to make the mixture just moist enough to hold together.

MANDARIN AND MINT JELLY

1 lb. Mandarin oranges
1 pint packet of Creme de Menthe jelly
1 pint of boiling water
A little cream
Sugar and flavouring.

Strain the syrup from the Mandarin sections, and put small portions of the fruit into separate glasses, reserving a little for decoration. Cut the jelly in pieces and dissolve it in the boiling water. Add the juice from the mandarins, and when beginning to set, fill to about three-quarters of each glass. Chill thoroughly, and before serving, put on the top of each a spoonful of whipped cream, which has been sweetened and flavoured, and decorate with mandarin oranges.

MACAROONS

1 lb. finely minced almonds
3 egg whites
1 lb. castor sugar
Vanilla or almond flavouring essence.

Blanch the almonds by putting them into cold water and bringing them up to boiling point. Then drain them and skin them. Put them through the mincer twice, then weigh them.

Add the castor sugar to the almonds and rub together until thoroughly incorporated. Then add a few drops of flavouring essence and mix them to a paste with the egg whites as required, the latter only slightly beaten. Line some baking sheets with rice paper and place the mixture on it in small heaps. 1 teaspoonful is sufficient for each macaroon and leave a good space between them. Put a halved blanched almond, a few strips of almond, or a piece of glacé cherry on the top of each macaroon and bake them in a moderate oven. They will probably take 20 minutes.

JUDGE AND A WIFE'S MARRIAGE FOR CONVENIENCE

DIVORCE REFUSED TO NAVAL OFFICER: THOUGHT LOVE LETTERS SILLY

Mr. Justice Bucknill, in the Divorce Court recently, dismissed with costs the petition of Enr.-Lt.-Cmdr. Francis Henry Lee, R.N., of Cowes, Isle of Wight, and formerly of Stoke, Devonport, for the dissolution of his marriage.

The petitioner alleged adultery by his wife, Mrs. Elsie Marguerite Unlake Lee, of Marloes-road, Kensington, S.W., with Maj. Francis Edward Morley Clarke, Ghurka Rifles, ret., of Newton Ferras, Devon.

Both Mrs. Lee and Major Clarke denied on oath that they had ever committed adultery, and Mr. Justice Bucknill dismissed the co-respondent from the suit.

Enr.-Lt.-Cmdr. Lee and Mrs. Lee were married in Malta on March 7, 1932. There are no children.

MET ON LINER

The petitioner's case was that his wife met the major in a liner while returning from Malta. The association continued when they reached England, and from December, 1935, to April, 1936, she lived at Major Clarke's mother's house at Torquay.

Adultery was alleged to have taken place there and at an hotel in Southsea.

Giving judgment Mr. Justice Bucknill said it was no easy task to decide whether the petitioner had made out his case.

"This marriage from the first was a disastrous one, and it is impossible to come to any conclusion without reviewing the circumstances."

"I think the petitioner was right when he said his wife had no strong affection for him. So far as she was concerned it was a marriage of convenience, and the petitioner, I suppose, was proud of acquiring a young and certainly attractive and intelligent wife."

"HER GUIDING PRINCIPLE"

"It has been said that she was cold, calculating, and not passionate."

"She has also been described as a woman of brazen impudence. My opinion of her character—and a man always puts a woman's character forward with some diffidence—is that the guiding principle in her life was to maintain herself and her mother by honourable means, and it was for that reason that she married her husband."

"When she found that the marriage was disastrous she began to contemplate the possibility of getting rid of her husband and marrying someone else."

"It is not for me to criticise that idea, but it is important, as it bears upon the question as to how far she would be likely to go before marriage and, allow herself to be possessed by any other man."

"The husband showed a complete lack of the very necessary give-and-take if the marriage was to be a success. He regarded love-letters as silly."

"Perhaps, from an engineer's point of view, they may be; but, from a human point of view, they are not."

"CUT OUT SOB STUFF"

"The attitude of the petitioner toward his wife is well illustrated by a letter he wrote to her less than a month after the marriage. That letter reads as follows:

"You talk as if one moment away from me was some terrible affliction from which you will never recover—Be prepared to cut out the 'sob stuff.' Be prepared to live where I want you to live; no tears, or fits of sulks."

"In his letters the husband never got beyond calling his wife, 'Dear Elsie.' It seems rather cold for a young husband, but he seems to hold rather peculiar views on these matters."

"There was a rift in the lute, and the result was that there was played a very modest melody."

"Mrs. Lee contracted certain debts in Malta which had caused differences and, by this time, they completely hated each other. The

wife said her husband was always searching around to find some evidence against her of conduct of which he disapproved."

Maj. Clarke, said the judge, was a man of 38. He was living apart from his wife, and had a boy eight years of age. While on the way back from service in Burma he met Mrs. Lee in a liner.

There could be no doubt they were very much attracted to each other from the first.

SCENE ON SHIP

Maj. Clarke, in the witness-box, had admitted this, "and," added his lordship, "if he came here to try and hide his adulterous relationship I am puzzled why he should have made that admission right away."

"There was one incident on board the ship to which I will refer," continued the judge, "and that was when Maj. Clarke and Mrs. Lee were dancing. The husband came up and took her away from him. She became hysterical, and seemed likely to throw herself overboard."

"The letters showed that Maj. Clarke was in love with Mrs. Lee—if that is the right word to use—and she liked him very much, but that was not suggesting that he took Mrs. Lee to his mother's house for any wrong purpose."

"I have seen Maj. Clarke, and I am quite satisfied that he would not take any woman to his mother's house, or the house of his sister, if he wanted to commit adultery."

"That seems to weigh in his favour. His intentions, it appears, were more to help Mrs. Lee than satisfy his own sexual passions."

"A GRAND OPPORTUNITY"

Mr. Justice Bucknill dealt with allegations of adultery at a Southsea hotel, and said that Mrs. Lee told her husband she cared for her, but added that she had done nothing wrong.

"Here was a grand opportunity for her if she wanted a divorce," said his lordship. "She could have got away from her husband by saying: 'I have committed adultery.'"

"No one has come forward to say they saw anything improper

WHEN WOMEN ARE FOOLISH

Judge's Comment In Breach Suit

Strong comments on the "foolishness" of women who permitted intimacy under promise of marriage were made by Mr. Justice Atkinson at the conclusion of a breach of promise action heard at Leeds Assizes.

Miss Madge Leach, 29, a laundry worker, of Starbeck, Harrogate, was awarded £100 for breach of promise against Walter Bernard Brown, 26, a painter, of Haxby, near York.

The jury also allowed her £51 on a claim for the return of money lent to Brown.

It was alleged that a promise to marry was made in 1933.

Miss Leach stated that, believing Brown intended to marry her, she permitted intimacy.

Brown denied any promise to marry, and denied having received £75 from Miss Leach.

The Judge: What do you think you were doing all these three years?

Brown: Taking her out and giving her a good time.

"We are not here to discuss morality," observed the judge.

"The desire to possess the woman you admire and love is one of the main incentives of marriage. A woman who lets a man have intercourse with her, year in, year out, so that his desire is fully satisfied, is a fool."

between these two, and no one has been either of them leaving each other's bedroom."

"On these facts, and having thought the case over," he added, "I cannot say that in my mind I am satisfied that adultery has been committed. Therefore I must dismiss the petition."

Dismissal Major Clarke from the suit, without costs, his lordship said that Major Clarke brought the proceedings upon himself by continually associating with a married woman, knowing that the husband disapproved it.

ARMY COOKS AS GOOD AS CHEFS

Minister Watches Them Work

The standard of cooking at the Army School of Cookery has advanced until it may be said to have reached a fine art.

Recently the work of the finalists in the annual competitions was set out for Mr. Hore-Bellisha, Secretary for War, to inspect.

Mr. Hore-Bellisha complimented the School on the remarkable efficiency displayed in the preparation of food. He expressed satisfaction with the efforts made to raise the status of cooks and the standard of cooking in the Army.

The welfare of the Army, he said, largely depended on the work of the cooks.

About £10,000 was spent daily on supplying food to soldiers at home and overseas, excluding India. The food was prepared by 2,500 cooks. During the year 17,000 tons of meat and 25,000,000 loaves were consumed by the Army.

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The Army Challenge Shield was won by the Queen's Bays with 94 per cent. of marks. The Military Hospital Challenge Shield went to No. 1 Company, Royal Army Medical Corps, Aldershot, while the Territorial Army Shield was won by the 4th Battalion, Prince of Wales's Volunteers.

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MR. SINCLAIR LEWIS'S COMMENT

Mr. Sinclair Lewis, the American author, in a lecture in New York said that the change in the Brazilian form of Government had been brought about through the influence of Portugal, Germany, and Italy.

"This is the first violation of the Monroe doctrine," he said. "Perhaps the United States, Britain and France must fight a war after all."

Mr. Lewis, who is the author of the anti-Fascist novel, "It Can't Happen Here," entitled his lecture, "It Has Happened Here."

NEW CAUSE FOR FRICTION

Shanghai, Dec. 29.
The United States Consulate here has been instructed by the State Department to ascertain without delay whether the new regulations issued by the Japanese authorities imply that arrested American nationals will no longer be brought up for trial before extrajudicial American courts but before Japanese military courts. In

BORN RECKLESS

As tough as the armoured car he drives in his one-man war against crime, Brian Donlevy pilots a wreck-proof car, on puncture-proof tires, behind bullet-proof glass—but the heart of this demon driver of the speedway isn't proof against love. When the devil-may-care Donlevy meets Rochelle Hudson, a girl who loves to flirt with sudden death, life is spiked with danger in "Born Reckless" Twentieth Century-Fox picture opening at the Alhambra Theatre today.

The thrilling screen play by John Patrick, Robert Ellis and Helen Logan, adapted from a story by Jack Andrews, maintains a swiftly moving pace throughout, and in it director Malcolm St. Clair has included some highly spectacular auto stunt scenes.

the latter case, so it is said, the State Department wishes that Consul Gauss inform the Japanese authorities that the new regulations are bound to produce new friction between Japan and the United States.—
Transocean News Service.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong.

KING'S:—
"King Solomon's Mines"
QUEEN'S:—
"45 Fathers."
ORIENTAL:—
"The Road Back"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"Born Reckless."
STAR:—
"Cleopatra"
MAJESTIC:—
"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde."

Coming

KING'S:—
"Way Out West"
QUEEN'S:—
"Angel"
ORIENTAL:—
"Double or Nothing"
ALHAMBRA:—
"Merry-Go-Round of 1938"
STAR:—
"Street Scene"
MAJESTIC:—
"Captains Courageous"

KING SOLOMON'S MINES

A grand picture, positively tops in entertainment, and based on one of the finest adventures in literature, fills the screen at the King's Theatre to-day, with the showing of the Gaumont production, "King Solomon's Mines."

Based on the Rider Haggard romance of the same name, a story read and loved by millions of people all over the world, "King Solomon's Mines" tells the story of an intrepid band of English adventurers, four men and a woman, who brave the jungles and desert and hostile Zulu warriors to find the lost mines of Ophir.

MIRIAM HOPKINS STARS

Miriam Hopkins, most recently seen in the screen's first all-colour picture, "Becky Sharp," plays opposite Fredric March in the movie version of Robert Louis Stevenson's horror classic, "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," which opens to-day at the Majestic Theatre.

Blonde, petite Miss Hopkins is cast as the Cockney girl of the streets who becomes the prey of the evil Mr. Hyde, and ultimately meets a terrifying fate at his hands.

Miss Hopkins considers her role in "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" one of the greatest she has ever created—possibly because it is such a complete departure from her ordinary roles. As the victim of the fiendish evil half of Dr. Jekyll's character, she is a pert little Cockney girl until the chain of horrors to which she is subjected drives her to bitter extremes.

In addition to March and Miss Hopkins, the cast of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" includes Rose Hobart, cast as the fiancée of Dr. Jekyll, Holmes Herbert and Halliwell Hobbes. Reuben Mamoulian directed.



Stan Laurel, Oliver Hardy and Sharron Lynne in "Way Out West" coming on Friday at the King's Theatre.

CINEMA TRADE DIVIDED OVER NEW BILL

Renters Opposed To Council

With unexpected amendments in the Film Bill, and radical changes suggested at the last moment by producers, the British film industry has been reduced to a condition of bewilderment in which it can only mark time, says the "Daily Telegraph."

Mr. C. M. Woolf accurately summed up the position recently when he said that no two sections of the trade agreed about anything.

Producers, distributors and exhibitors are divided amongst themselves. The producer of £100,000 films for the world market has never had much in common with the maker of quota "quickies." Nor will he have under the new bill, for the spending of £15,000 will not necessarily lift a production out of the "quickie" class.

In the same way there are foreign distributors and British distributors, whose interests are naturally different.

Even the exhibitors, who might be supposed to have everything in common, are divided on many issues. Some, under the leadership of Mr. Metcalfe, have fought tooth and nail for a film commission and a viewing committee to "assess" quality. The smaller men are more concerned with securing an adequate supply of moderate-priced quota films to serve as second features.

DOUBLE-QUOTA PLAN

They have decided, in common with producers like Mr. London, that this supply is menaced by the new bill. For the new bill, with its insistence on a minimum expenditure of £15,000 and its concession that, for quota purposes, a film which costs £45,000 will count as two, was designed to promote quality at the expense of quantity.

This, it was hoped, would help British films to sell abroad, especially if backed up by some effective scheme of reciprocity in America.

The maker of quota films, on the other hand, is not unnaturally dismayed. The bill doubles and trebles the sum he has been accustomed to spend. The new Board of Trade proposal to establish a Film Council, with power to refuse a certificate to films considered unworthy, will also make it extremely difficult to obtain finance.

For, if this quality clause stands, foreign distributors financing quota films are bound to insist that the production shall be passed for quota; and no producer can guarantee this in advance.

CONCESSION TO EXHIBITORS

The Film Council, now proposed by the Board of Trade is desired by the whole trade except the renters. It is at once a concession and an indication that, in dealing with such confusing issues, the Government will be glad to have a body empowered to suggest changes without delay.

In any case most good judges believe that the quality test should go. No two people can be relied upon to agree about entertainment values; and the financing of minor pictures will become almost impossible.

The producers' demand for separate quotas for distributors and exhibitors may be explained simply. The object is to ensure that British pictures, made or acquired by distributors of foreign films for quota purposes, shall not rank as quota for exhibitors.

The exhibitors will have to fall back on other probably cheaper, British films for quota purposes. A production like Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "A Yank at Oxford," costing, perhaps, £150,000 would have to take its chance in the open market without benefit of quota.

The fate of the new two-quota plan is in the balance. The Federation of British Industries and the trade unions are supporting it; many members of the Standing Committee on films and the whole Socialist party are known to favour it as ensuring British producers a corner of the market and making for employment.

Even those who have been critical would probably withdraw their opposition, if the plan could be harmonised with the desire to encourage quality pictures which may win Britain a place on the world's screen.

George Pencheff, the Australian heavyweight wrestling champion, was married at Caxton Hall to Miss Elizabeth Nicolson, 21, of Sydney.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

THURSDAY, DEC. 30.

Anniversaries and Holidays.—Pablo Casals born, 1876. Mrs. Bloomer died, 1894.

Auctions.—China Pony Subscription Griffiths, at the Paddock Race Course, 5.15 p.m.

Cinemas.—(See Page 5).
Dances.—Reel Class for Children, at Hong Kong Union Church Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Lectures.—Theosophical Society, 6 p.m. "Understanding Oneself," by Mr. J. Russell.

Malls.—(See Page 16).
Meetings.—General of the Hong Kong Development, Building and Savings Society Ltd., (in liquidation) at Messrs Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming's Offices, 6 Des Voeux Road Central, noon. Victoria Chess Club, at Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.; Hong Kong Philatelic Society, in "S. C. M. Post" Board Room, 5.30 p.m.; St. Andrew's Women's Fellowship, 3 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Christ Church Ladies' Guild Sewing Party, at 3 Duke Street, 10 a.m.; Exhibition of Chinese Paintings, at China Building, 8th floor, 10 a.m.—7 p.m.; Annual Inspection and Naval March Past, at Happy Valley, 10 a.m.; Playing of Retreat by Seaforth Highlanders at Murray Parade ground, 5 p.m.

Moon.—XI Moon, 28th. Day.
Religious.—Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for the "Quarant Ore," in the Catholic Cathedral, 6 a.m.—8 p.m.

Sports.—(See Page 10).
Sunrise.—7.02 a.m. Sunset.—5.48 p.m.

Tides.—High at 09.22 and 19.50. Low at 02.27 and 12.55.

FRIDAY DEC. 31

Cinemas.—(See Page 5).
Malls.—(See Page 16).

Moon.—XI Moon, 29th. Day.
Sports.—(See Page 10).
Sunrise.—7.02 a.m. Sunset.—5.48 p.m.

Tides.—High at 08.30 and 19.16. Low at 01.52 and 12.08.

BISHOP SAYS PUBLIC COULD STOP WAR

The average man, in the mass, is all-powerful and could stop war, said the Bishop of Ely, Dr. B. O. F. Heywood, speaking at Ely Diocesan Conference at Cambridge recently.

It is surely right," he declared, "to say that the ordinary man, in any civilised country, has no instinctive desire to do harm to the ordinary man of another nation."

"He may be conscious of his own superiority—that is an almost proverbial trait in the character of the Englishman—but such mild conceit involves no desire to slaughter; and surely, at least until war has been declared, bloodthirsty instincts are wanting from the make-up of the average man."

"How different the world might be if the people in all countries said, 'We do not want and we shall not submit to be killed, and to kill, to satisfy the ambitions, or minister to the pride, of men who have exalted themselves above their fellows; and if there is to be a war, the first to be sent to fighting line shall be those who have brought it about.'"

BURIED ALIVE THROUGH WAR

Eight Hidden Chinese Discovered

Eight Chinese who literally had buried themselves alive in Hong-kew during the Shanghai hostilities were "exhumed" by the Municipal Police last week in Yalu Road. A ninth was found dead, although he had lived till one day before help came.

Detective-Sergeant F. O. Guess made the strange discovery after a search of two hours. The Chinese, who had hidden since the beginning of the hostilities in August, were found lying under rags, apparently lifeless. There were two old women, one of them being blind; the blind woman's son, two other men, and three children, the youngest being a boy of 8.

The one who died a day previous, of disease and neglect, was a man. They all had been marooned behind the Japanese lines early in the conflict and had lived on a small store of rice and what water, mostly dirty, they could gather stealthily outside in the immediate vicinity of their "houses." Shells had burst about them during successive bombardments and street-fighting had taken place outside their very doors.

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Reuter.

AMERICANS LEAVE
Shanghai Dec. 28: Following the advice of the State Department of Washington, a number of Americans are evacuating Tientsin for Shanghai to-morrow, aboard the U.S. gunboat Sacramento. The U.S. light cruiser, Marblehead, and the American destroyer, Pope, and H.M.S. Suffolk, are remaining in Tientsin.—
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Another Chance For
China!

Shanghai, Dec. 29. General Iwane Matsui, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese forces in Central China, interviewed today, said that Japan will give the Chinese Government an opportunity of changing its attitude, but if the anti-Japanese policies are continued, Japanese troops may find it necessary to advance to Hankow and Chungking. This was the General's first press interview since the fall of Nanking.

Outlining his views of the China policy which will be followed by the Japanese Government in the future, General Matsui said that Japan may repudiate the National Government if China's present policies are not altered.

He emphasised that Japan "has no territorial ambitions in China, but is sacrificing so much for only the purpose of establishing peace in the Far East."

Answering questions by newspapermen, General Matsui said: "At the time of the capture of Nanking I clearly expressed an opinion so that there is not much more for me to say now. At any rate there ought not to be a hurry about future military operations so soon after the occupation of Nanking. Soldiers should get rest after every battle, and there is more reason for them to rest after four months' hostilities without a break."

REAL INTENTION

"At the same time we would like to give the Chinese time to reconsider their attitude. Of course if they don't mend their ways we may have to go even as far as Hankow and Chungking."

"The resort to arms is not always the means to attain an objective, but my aim is to make China come to a true appreciation of the present situation without inflicting unnecessary damage and driving her to despair. If, however, the National Government continues to maintain its present anti-Japanese attitude, the Imperial Government, I think, will find it necessary to issue a statement repudiating the National Government."

"On the whole it is necessary to show as a fact the real intention of Japan, which has no territorial ambition, and is sacrificing much only for the purpose of establishing peace in the Far East."

ALLEGED TRAITOR ARRESTED

Chengchow, Dec. 29: Ku Ho, a former army commander, has been arrested at Hanchow, east terminus of the Lunghai Railway, on a charge of engaging in reactionary activities under orders of the bogus government in Peiping.

YANGTSE FRONT QUIET

Hsuechow, Dec. 29: Quiet prevails on the front north of the Yangtse River. Japanese troops around Chaohsien, Wuwei and Chuan-chiao are reported to have left for an unknown destination.

SHANGHAI CIVIC ASSOCIATION ORGANISED

Hankow, Dec. 29: A so-called "Shanghai Civic Association" is being organised under the instigation of the Japanese military in Shanghai, according to a report received in local foreign circles.

To avoid being pressed by the Japanese to shoulder any responsibility in the new bogus organisation, Mr. Yu Ya-ching, prominent Shanghai resident, has left for Ningpo, his native place.

NETHERLANDS HARBOUR WORKS CO. BOMBED

Hsuechow, North Kiangsu, Dec. 29: It is learned locally that the Netherlands Consulate-General at Shanghai has filed a strong protest with the Japanese authorities over the bombing of the Netherlands Harbour Works Co. during a raid on Lianyung Harbour, east terminus of the Lunghai Railway, by Japanese planes on December 25.

Appropriate compensation for the damage done is demanded by the Netherlands Consulate-General.

It is revealed that three bombs were dropped by the Japanese planes on the premises of the company with Netherlands flags conspicuously hoisted on the roof, causing heavy damage.

WORKERS FLEE TSINGTAO

Disorganisation In
City As Menace
Nears

Tsingtao, Dec. 29. With the Japanese threat to Tsingtao every moment becoming more menacing many Chinese employees have deserted their posts in the city and the Postal Commissioner has appealed for volunteers and many foreigners have responded.

The Chinese staffs have also deserted many of the leading firms, including the big British shipping companies, Butterfield and Swire, and Jardine, Matheson.

The evacuation of their staffs has forced three Chinese newspapers to cease publication.

Contradicting Chinese reports that Yuh Sueh-chung's troops are moving westward from Tsingtao to support the Chinese positions at Weihai, Japanese sources state that Yuh's men are disheartened by the fall of Tsinan and Chowtsun and are now retreating southward.

The Japanese add that the news of the capture of Chowtsun, an important town on the Kiaochow-Tsinan railway, by the Japanese troops has caused disorganisation in the 114th and 108th Divisions commanded by Yuh Sueh-chung.

The Japanese assert that the ultimate destination of Yuh's forces is believed to be Hsuechow in Kiangsu and Pengpu in Anhwei.

RUNAWAY OFFICIALS SENTENCED

Foochow Dec. 29: Kuang Han, District magistrate of Chimen or Quemoy Island was sentenced to death and Lieut-General Hsiao Kai-yun sentenced to twelve years imprisonment by the military tribunal nearly a fortnight ago for dereliction of official duty and loss of national territory it was revealed today. Kuang Han was executed on December 17.

It is stated that when Japanese forces attacked Chimen Island on October 26 both officials fled upon the first alarm, "thereby resulting in the loss of an important point in southern Fukien."

MANY KILLED AT WANGCUM

Canton, Dec. 29: Many Chinese inhabitants were killed and large quantities of provisions seized by the Japanese troops yesterday upon their landing at Wangcum Island near Macao, according to a report received in local communication circles.

FOR COURAGE

Hsuechow, Dec. 29: For his courage in driving back five locomotives upon the fall of Tsinan a driver on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway was awarded \$1,000 by order of the Shantung military authorities.

NEW DEFENCE LINE

Hsuechow, Dec. 29: The Chinese new defence line on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway now runs from Changtsing on the south bank of the Yellow River about 37 kilometres southwest of Tsinan to Tzechwan on the Poshan-Changtsing branch line of the Kiaotsai Railway, passing through Peimashan (White Horse Hill) and Chienfushan (Thousand Buddha Hill) in the suburbs of Tsinan.

The Chinese batteries placed on the top of Chienfushan yesterday opened up on the Japanese troops which had entered Tsinan city inflicting considerable casualties.

JAPANESE RAIN BOMBS ON TRAIN

Hsuechow, Dec. 29: Five Japanese planes subjected Tsinan on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway to a severe bombing yesterday, raining no fewer than 60 bombs on the town. Considerable casualties were inflicted among the populace and slight damage was done to the railway track and telegraph wires which were immediately repaired.

Passenger trains on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway now run as far north as Yenchow only, whilst traffic on the Kiaotsai Railway has been totally disrupted as a result of the damage done to the railway track, bridges and culverts and the hauling away of all available rolling stock by the Chinese forces.

BRITAIN WILL NOT OPPOSE IRISH DESIRE

Co-operation With
Empire Probably
Will Continue

London, Dec. 28.

Although nothing authoritative can be learned at present with regard to the British Government's attitude towards the new Irish Free State Constitution, which will be ceremoniously inaugurated on December 29, it is understood that no drastic changes in the existing state of imperial relations is expected.

It is pointed out that any member of the British Commonwealth is free to modify its own status. Also it is several years since the Throne played any part in Irish politics, and the new constitution only confirms the existing situation.

It is not thought probable that Mr. Eamon de Valera will withdraw from his present measure of co-operation with the Empire. It is pointed out that a "paper" annexation of Northern Ireland is implied in the change of the name of the Irish Free State, but that it can have no practical effect.

Juridically the new constitution will intensify the legal problems raised by the existence of what is practically a Republic inside a Commonwealth ruled by a King, but as coercion is out of the question, Mr. de Valera doubtless will be allowed to create what legal status he pleases without objection from the United Kingdom.

NEW REGIME IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Dec. 29. Agreement for the organisation of a new regime in Shanghai was signed by the Japanese authorities and a group of Chinese leaders on December 27, states a Chinese report.

The new organisation will be known as the Association of Shanghai Municipalities. The committee is stated to include, among others, Messrs. Wang Ping-yen, Chow Wen-jui and Feng Pin-nan. Almost all of the nominees are businessmen.

MASAYUKI TANI IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Dec. 29. Mr. Masayuki Tani, Japanese Minister to Vienna who, according to Japanese reports, is expected to be appointed to a responsible diplomatic post in North China, has arrived here from Japan.

Mr. Tani was accompanied by Mr. Denjiro Kato, Japanese Consul-General to Hankow and formerly First Secretary to the Japanese Embassy in Peiping, who is expected to be his assistant in the North.

ITALIAN BID FOR STRAIGHT FLIGHT MARK

Air Service To South
America In View

Cadix, Dec. 28.

In an attempt to break the distance record in a straight line flight the Italian airman, Signor Stoppani, left Cadix at 12.50 p.m., heading for Buenos Aires.

Stoppani left Sardinia on December 18 on the first of a series of flights ordered by Signor Benito Mussolini with a view to the institution of an air service between Italy and Latin-America, but he had to make a forced landing off the Algerian coast owing to bad weather.

CENTAURUS AND CLIPPER IN AUCKLAND

Auckland, Dec. 28. The Imperial Airways flying boat, Centaurus, which arrived here yesterday on a survey flight from England, was surrounded by vast and admiring crowds at the airport.

Many leading citizens of Auckland were given courtesy flights in the big flying boat.

A fine rug made from New Zealand wool as a present from Mr. M. J. Savage, the Prime Minister, to President Roosevelt will be part of the first cargo to be carried by air from New Zealand to the United States aboard the Pan-American Samoan Clipper. With it will go a letter from Mr. Savage which pays tribute to the enterprise shown in the establishment of a service which will strengthen the ties of the two peoples.

The departure of the Samoan Clipper has been postponed until Thursday owing to bad weather in the neighbourhood of Pago Pago.

MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMISSION

Changes Expected

Shanghai, Dec. 29. According to the Chinese press, the National Military Affairs Commission will shortly be reorganised so as to give one-third of the seats to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's subordinates, one-third to the nominees of the leaders of the Eighth Route or ex-Communist Army and the remaining third to nominees of the Shansi General Hsi-shan and Kwangsi war lords Pei Chung-hse and Li Tsung-jen. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, the Chinese press adds, has instructed the military commanders in the various war zones to assume control over party and administrative officials and to see that none leaves his post without authorisation. Any breach of this injunction, he is said to have added, should be punished according to military law.



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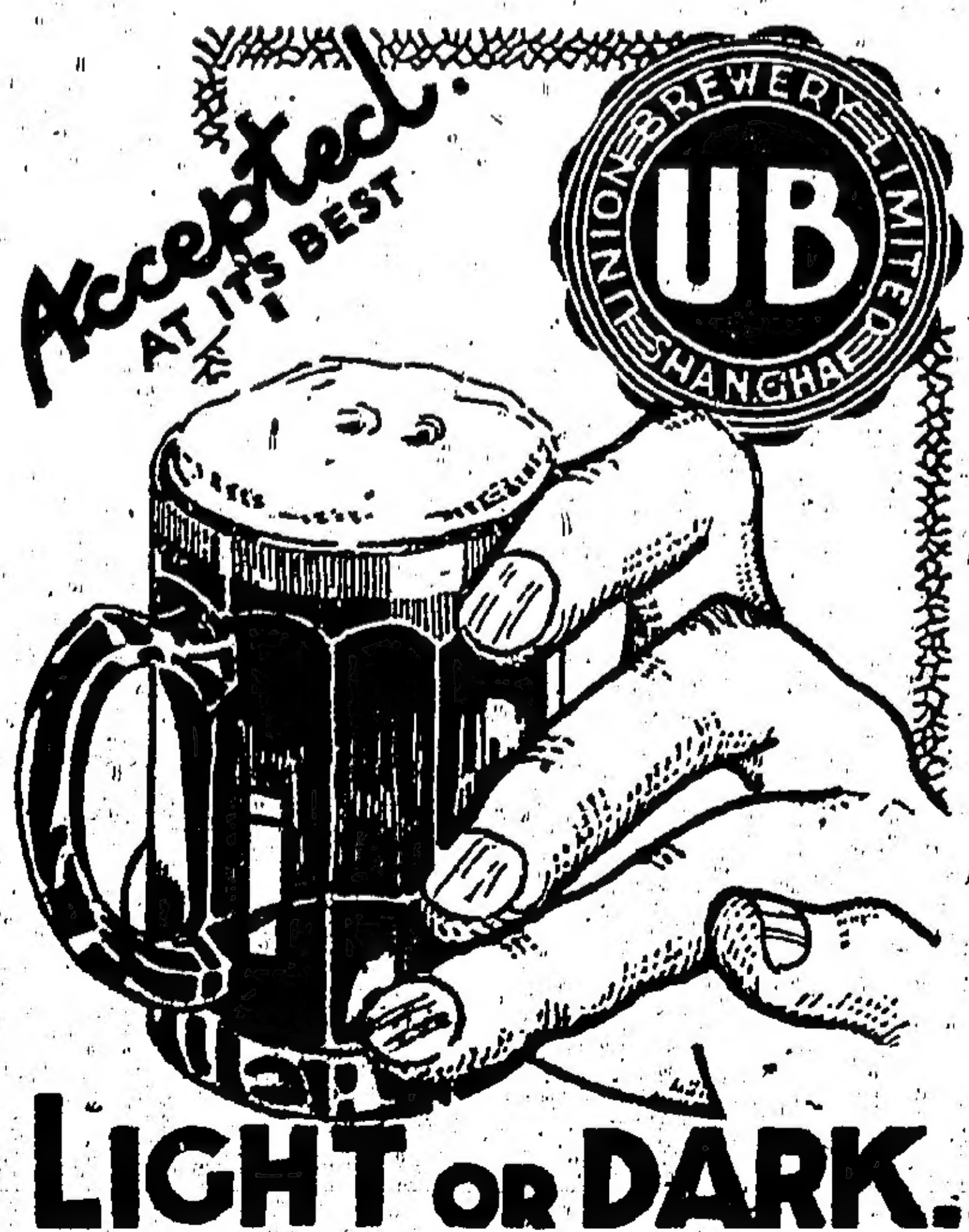
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THE SERVICES

ROYAL NAVY

ENGINEER STAFF
Engineer Captain C. W. Lambert will join the Admiralty for duty as an Inspector on the staff of the Engineer-in-Chief of the Fleet, in succession to Engineer Captain D. J. Haire, who becomes Assistant Engineer-in-Chief.

Promoted in December last, Engineer Captain Lambert has during the past four years been assistant to the Engineer Manager at Devonport Dockyard, and last served afloat in the cruiser Devonshire in China and the Mediterranean. For three years up to 1931 he was the engineer assistant to the Director of Dockyards, Admiralty. He served throughout the War as engineer lieutenant in the cruisers Indefatigable and Undaunted and the destroyer Mandul.

HOME FLEET LEAVE
Christmas leave in most of the ships of the Home Fleet began December 13, when first parties started on their 14 days' leave, returning on December 28. Second parties will take their leave from December 29 to January 13.

COMMAND OF THE FEARLESS
Commander G. H. Roberts, from the staff of the Tactical School, is appointed from to-day to command the Fearless as leader of a division of the 8th Destroyer Flotilla, Home Fleet, in succession to Commander P. H. G. James.

EXAMINATIONS AFOAT

The following dates have been approved for educational examinations afloat, to begin during the first seven months of 1938:—
January 17, examination for the rank of paymaster sub-lieutenant; March 21, higher educational test; March 22, educational test, part 1; March 25, educational test, part 2; May 18, examination for petty officer writer and supply petty officer; May 17, examination for second-class certificate of education, R.M.; July 5, educational test, part 1; July 8, educational test, part 2; July 18, examination for warrant writer and warrant supply officer.

COURSE FOR WARRANT RANK

The following petty officer telegraphists have been selected to undergo the qualifying course for the rank of warrant telegraphist, which begins at the Signal School, Portsmouth, on February 14, 1938:—
W. Jacques, H.M.S. Rodney; G. R. Fletcher, H.M.S. Malabar; J. F. R. Fisher, H.M.S. Repulse; and K. W. Owen and P. Harris, H.M. Signal School.

CANTEN FUNDS

The half-yearly summary of contributions to the R.N. Benevolent Trust from canteen funds for the period up to June 30, 1937, shows that the total of payments by the Navy, Army, and Air Force Institutes, representing one-fifth of rebate, amounted to £5,500 0s. 9d. In addition there were direct payments from ships and establishments amounting to £1,603 2s. The grand total of £7,103 2s. 9d. shows an increase of £354 13s. 4d. over that for the corresponding period of 1936.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:—

Cdr. (E)—E. H. Vincent, to Hastings.
Lt.-Cdr. (F/O, R.A.F.)—H. C. Ranald, to Victory, for duties as Lieut.-at-Sea (Dec. 31).

THE ARMY

SEAFORTH HIGHLANDERS

The War Office announces that Major and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel W. Reid has been selected for command of the 6th (The Morayshire) Battalion (Territorial), The Seaforth Highlanders (Ross-shire Buffs, The Duke of Albany's), in succession to Lieut.-Colonel and Brevet Colonel I. K. Thomson, T.D., whose tenure expired on December 6.

COMMANDANT AT SANDHURST

Major-General W. D. S. Brownrigg, C.B., D.S.O., will take up his new appointment as Commandant of the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, on January 12. The present commandant, Lieutenant-General B. D. Fisher, O.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., is vacating the post on promotion.

Brigadier F. V. B. Witts, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., became Brigadier, General Staff, of the Western Command, India, on December 17. He is succeeding Brigadier R. Evans, M.C., A.D.C., who is leaving the post to become Deputy Director of Military Intelligence at the War Office.

Brigadier H. W. Goldfrap, D.S.O., M.C., will resume command of the Eastern Bengal Brigade Area in Dacca at the end of the month.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

SQUADRON LEADER J. G. W. WESTON

Among the three signal specialists promoted in the December list is Squadron Leader J. G. W. Weston, who in April last was appointed signals officer at the new aerodrome at Feltwell, Suffolk, on its opening.

FIREARMS CERTIFICATES

With regard to the provision of certificates by commanding officers for production to the police in respect of the acquisition of firearms under the Firearms Act, 1937, it is pointed out in Air Ministry Orders that these certificates can only properly be issued in respect of officers on the active list for the purchase or acquisition of replacements by officers who are required by the regulations to maintain their own Service type of pistol or revolver. Certificates are to specify the precise type of weapon to be purchased or acquired. No certificates can be issued in respect of ammunition.

R.A.F. YACHT CLUB

In order to encourage sailing among officers in the Force the committee of the R.A.F. Yacht Club, which has its headquarters at Calshot, Hants, has decided to present a challenge trophy for an annual inter-unit sailing competition, the first of which will be held next summer. The races will be sailed on Saturdays and Sundays in the R.A.F. Yacht Club 14ft. one-design dinghies, and will consist of two or more short races.

HEALTH RETURNS

The return showing the number of cases of notifiable diseases which have been notified as having occurred in the Colony during the week ended on Saturday, at midnight, discloses that there were seven cases of small-pox (five deaths), eight of diphtheria (four deaths), one of enteric fever, one of chicken pox, one of cerebro-spinal fever (one death), 13 of dysentery (six deaths), and 90 deaths from tuberculosis.

Four cases of small-pox, two of diphtheria, two of enteric fever, one of cerebro-spinal fever and two of dysentery were reported to the local Health Authorities during the 24 hours ended at midnight on Tuesday.

NEW K.F.C. HOME

The ceremony of opening the new club house of the Kowloon Football Club in Chatham Rd., will take place on Saturday, at noon when members of the club will be at home.

Mr. Paul A. Harsch, C.S.B., member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts, arrives to-day (Thursday) by the President Coolidge from America. Mr. Harsch will give a free lecture on Christian Science in the Church Building of the First Church of Christ on Friday, December 31 at 5.45 p.m.

LONDON GAZETTE

DECEMBER 8

R.N.
Sub-Lieut. J. E. Manners, to be Lieut., with seniority of July 16; Senr. Master D. J. C. Smith, to be Hdmsr. Lieut. (Jan. 8, 1938).

DECEMBER 9

R.N.
Wt. Shipt. J. L. Hambling to be Cd. Shipt. (Dec. 2).

DECEMBER 10

R.N.
Paymr. Comdr. S. S. C. Parsons, O.B.E., placed on Retd. List with rank of Paymr. Capt. (Dec. 10); Sub-Lieut. (E) G. J. Noble to be Lieut. (E), with seniority of June 1.

DECEMBER 13

R.N.
Proby, Paymr. Lieut. R. Dudley-Smith is transferred to the general list of Acct. Offrs. as Paymr. Lieut., with seniority of April 1, 1935.

WAR OFFICE, DECEMBER 17

REGULAR ARMY
Maj.-Gen. (local Lt.-Gen.) the Visct. Gort, V.C., C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C., to be Gen. (supp. to estab.) (Dec. 6); Maj.-Gen. C. C. Armitage, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., to be Lt.-Gen. (Dec. 17); Col. R. Evans, M.C., A.D.C., on ceasing to be empd., is placed on the h.p. list (Dec. 17); Col. F. W. Wilson-FitzGerald, D.S.O., M.C., h.p., retires on ret. pay (Dec. 18).

COMMANDS AND STAFF

The following relinquish their appointments:—Fd.-Marshal Sir Cyril J. Deverell, G.C.B., K.B.E., Col. W. York R. as Chief of the Imp. Gen. Staff (Dec. 6); Maj. and Lt. Col. R. J. Brett, D.S.O., Oxf. and Bucks L.I., as G.S.O. 2nd Grade, The British Troops in Egypt (Dec. 10); Captain C. M. Kirby-Smith, R.A., as Adj. (attd. to Gen. Staff) Cambridge Univ. Contgt. O.T.C. (Dec. 9); Lt. C. H. Dewhurst, R. Sussex R., as A.D.C. to the Off. Adm. the Palestine Government (temp.) (Nov. 30).

The following appts. are made:—
Gen. the Visct. Gort, V.C., C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., M.V.O., M.C., from Mil. Sec. to the Sec. of State for War to be Chief of the Imp. Gen. Staff (Dec. 6); Lt.-Gen. M. G. Taylor, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., from Maj.-Gen. 1/c Admin. Aldershot Comd., to be Dep. Master-Gen. of the Ordnance, War Office (Dec. 15); Maj.-Gen. C. N. F. Broad, D.S.O., h.p., to be Major-Gen. 1/c Admin. Aldershot Comd. (Dec. 15); Col. J. E. Ghillebrand, C.B.E., M.C., h.p., to be Asst. Dir. of Fortifications and Works, War Office (Dec. 13); Col. F. E. Hotblack, D.S.O., M.C., from Mil. Attache (graded as G.S.O. 1st Grade), Berlin, to be Dept. Dir. of Staff Duties, War Office, and granted the temp. rank of Brig. while so empd. (Dec. 14); Major A. P. Campbell, R.A., to be G.S.O. 2nd Grade, The British Troops in Egypt (Dec. 10); Captain R. F. G. Jayne, 7th H. to be Asst. Mil. Attache (graded as G.S.O. 2nd Grade), Paris (temp.), and granted the local rank of Major while so empd. (Nov. 26); Captain A. D. B. Cocks, R.E., to be Staff Captain, War Office (temp.) (Dec. 1); Sec. Lt. A. D. Mackenzie, Camerons, to a Spec. Appt. (CI. HH) (temp. (Oct. 17)).

CAVALRY

The Royals.—Captain D. H. Browne retires receiving a gratuity (Dec. 11); Captain H. W. Lloyd is redtd. to the estab. (Dec. 11).

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

The following are secd.:—Lieut.-Col. (local Colonel) F. N. Mason MacFarlane, M.C., for serv. on the Staff (Dec. 5); Major C. D. Bayley, M.C., while holding the appt. of Maj. Instr. in Gunn. (Nov. 26); Major and Bt. Lt.-Col. C. T. Baynam, D.S.O., to be Lt.-Col. (Dec. 5); Maj. J. D. Edge, M.C., is redtd. to the estab. (Dec. 18).

The following Captains are redtd. to the estab.:—K. A. Holmes-Tarn (Oct. 19); A. D. M. Teacher (Nov. 19); C. J. N. Ruggie-Price (Dec. 1).

Captain A. V. Bird is secd. whilst holding the appt. of Captain Instr. in Gunn. (Dec. 3).

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming wedding is announced between Mr. Robert Perry, of Chinese Maritime Customs, Kowloon, and Miss Edwina Louisa Rogers, residing at No. 43 Gramplan Road.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE

Lady Northcote will meet the Nursing Divisions of St. John Ambulance Brigade on Wednesday, January 5 at 4.30 p.m. at Headquarters. A Demonstration of work will be given.

The following Lts. are secd.:—J. H. W. Hincks for serv. with the I.A.O.C. (on prob.) (Oct. 20); J. N. Reeve for serv. with the Ind. Army (Nov. 20); H. D. Tollinton for serv. with the T.A. (Dec. 1); R. C. Hulbert for serv. with the T.A. (Dec. 1).

Lieut. A. J. W. Grubb is redtd. to the estab. (Dec. 1); Lt. P. F. Synnott to be Adj. (Dec. 2).

CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

Major O. J. Marstrand, M.C., B.Sc., A.M.I.Mech.E., is placed on the h.p. list under the prov. of Art 493, Royal Warrant for Pay and Promotion, 1931 (Dec. 16).

FOOT GUARDS

C. Gds.—Lt. H. M. A. Sanford to be Captain (Nov. 2).

INFANTRY

R. North's Fus.—Captain I. J. Kilgour is secd. for serv. as an Adj. T.A. (Dec. 5).

E. Surrey R.—Captain E. A. R. Porch retires on ret. pay (Dec. 5). R.W.K.—The promotion of the following Captains is antedated to Nov. 24:—C. A. de B. Broullier; D. E. B. Talbot.

Lt. B. J. R. St. Neham is secd. whilst holding the appt. of Sta. Staff Off. India (Dec. 15).

K.S.L.I.—Lt. D. H. Rycroft to be Captain (Nov. 24).

Gordons.—Major G. W. A. Alexander, M.C., is placed on the h.p. list on account of ill-health (Dec. 18).

ARMY EDUCATIONAL CORPS

Major and Bt. Lt.-Col. S. G. Simpson, O.B.E., M.A., to be Lt.-Col. (Dec. 4).

ESTABLISHMENTS

Chemical Def. Experimental Stn.—Major J. D. Edge, M.C., R.A., R.A., relinquishes the appt. of Asst. to Mil. Experimental Off. (Dec. 18).

MEMORANDA

The follg. Cols. are granted the temp. rank of Brig. whilst empd. as Bde. Comdrs., Terr. Army:—R. M. Birkett, D.S.O., J. F. R. Hope, C.B.E., D.S.O., A.D.C., G. H. Wilmer, D.S.O., M.C., G. M. Giles M.C., T.D., Terr. Army, G. B. Rowan-Hamilton, D.S.O., M.C., L. C. Mandleberg, D.S.O., M.C., T.D., Terr. Army, E. D. H. Tollemache, D.S.O., M.C., E. W. S. Balfour, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C., J. A. Churchill, M.C., L. Green, C.B., M.C., T.D., Terr. Army, O. D. Smallwood, T.D., Terr. Army, S. Howes, D.S.O., M.C., A. L. W. Newth, D.S.O., M.C., T.D., Terr. Army, E. O. Skafie, O.B.E., D. V. M. Balders, O.B.E., M.C., J. P. D. Underwood, D.S.O., W. H. Broke, M.C., Terr. Army, T. S. Muirhead, B. C. S. Clarke, D.S.O., O. Y. Hibbert, D.S.O., M.C., H. W. V. Stewart, D.S.O., H. A. R. Aubrey, O.B.E., M.C., N. R. Campbell, M.C., T.D., Terr. Army, N. A. B. Baillie-Hamilton, F. G. Chalmers, D.S.O., M.C., J. S. Hughes, M.C., F. J. H. Fring, M.C., A. C. L. Stanley Clarke, D.S.O., I. C. Grant, D.S.O., F. Latham, D.S.O., H. St. G. Schomberg, D.S.O., L. D. Daly, D.S.O., O.B.E., D. M. A. Sole, D.S.O., J. J. Kingstone, D.S.O., M.C., C. A. G. O. Murray, D.S.O., G. Darwell, M.C., J. C. Brunner-Randall, Lt.-Col. and Bt. Col. C. R. Britten, M.C., h.p. list (empd.) Nov. 24; V. T. R. Ford, D.S.O. (Nov. 25).

The follg. Cols. are granted the temp. rank of Brig. whilst empd. as Comdrs., R.A., of a Terr. Army Div. (Nov. 24):—C. E. Boyce, D.S.O.; C. F. Liardet, C.B., D.S.O., T.D., Terr. Army; H. Archer, D.S.O.; D. J. M. Campton, D.S.O.; C. R. Gover, D.S.O.; R. Benson, D.S.O.; R. M. N. Fortes, M.C.; S. Mead, D.S.O.; J. E. Gordon, D.S.O.; A. S. Archdale, D.S.O.; H. J. G. Gale, D.S.O.; E. H. P. Pease-Watkin, D.S.O.

UNATTACHED LIST FOR INDIAN ARMY

Reference to the notifn. in the the "Gazette" of March 9 regarding Sec. Lt. (now Lt. Ind. Army) Herbert James McWilliams, delete "A.M.I.Mech.E."

Sec. Lt. J. A. M. Critchley-Salmonson, from Supp. Res. of Off., Somerset L.I., to be Sec. Lt. (Dec. 16).



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A sequel to the free-for-all fight in Shauiwan on Christmas Day was the appearance, on remand, before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday of nine folks of the Hang Fat Peanut Oil Company on charges of disorderly conduct. Ten men were originally charged and Inspector A. Wright asked permission to withdraw against the last defendant, Lai Fai, as he would not be fit for discharge from hospital for some time.

The fight, Inspector Wright stated, followed a quarrel regarding the working of the peanut oil machine. Fists were used chiefly, though one man had a shovel. He asked that all defendants be bound over.

His Worship accordingly bound the men over in \$10 each for 12 months.

GEORGE STOKES IN HOSPITAL

His many friends in sport, referees and footballers particularly, will be sorry to know that Mr. George T. Stokes, Chairman of the Hong Kong Referees' Association, has had to undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. Stokes only recently returned from Home leave looking and apparently feeling very fit. Happily the operation was a complete success, and Mr. Stokes is now convalescing in the Queen Mary Hospital.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG

PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE ESTATE OF ALLAN CAMERON, late of the City of Vancouver, Province of British Columbia, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probate Ordinance 1897 made an order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 28th day of January, 1938.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 29th day of Dec., 1937.

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NOTICE.

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Excess water and meter rental accounts are posted to the person who signed the Form "G" guaranteeing payment. This person is generally the landlord or his recognized agent.

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R. M. HENDERSON,
Water Authority,
Public Works Department,
Hong Kong, 24th Dec., 1937.

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By order of the Stewards, the China Auction Rooms, (Mr. E. V. M. R. Sousa—Auctioneer), will sell by Auction at the Pad-dock, the Race Course, Happy Valley, at 5.15 p.m. on Thursday, 30th December, the following 1938 China pony subscription griffins:—

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The purchasers of the above, if Members of The Hong Kong Jockey Club, will be entitled to race the ponies at the 1938 Annual Race Meeting as subscription griffins.

The Club will require a written undertaking from the new owners that the ponies will not be exported from Hong Kong during the present hostilities.

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 23rd Dec., 1937.

PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 3rd day of Jan., 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at King's Road near Quarry Bay in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the purchaser (if not the applicant), will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, \$200.00 in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the purchase price.

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No. 37/37

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Applications giving age, details of education, whether married or single, training and experience accompanied by copies of testimonials should be addressed to the undersigned so as to reach Tientsin not later than February 15, 1938.

By Order,
T. Y. CHEN,
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An agreement has been signed between His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., and Cable & Wireless, Ltd., for the transfer to the latter company of the fixed station commercial radio communications of the Colony as from January 1st, 1938.

The present Radio Traffic Office will remain in the P. & O. Building, Des Vœux Road, until the end of January, after which the Office will be transferred to the Offices of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd. (hereinafter to be known as Cable & Wireless, Ltd.).

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Hong Kong, December 30, 1937.

OUR BIGGEST CLUB

On June 4th, 1935, just about two and a half years ago, a meeting of rifle-shooting enthusiasts was held to consider the formation of a Rifle Association for this Colony which it was unanimously decided to do. At that meeting it was suggested that Rifle Clubs which were already in existence, or which might be formed as a direct result of the coming into being of the Hong Kong Rifle Association, should be allowed to affiliate, and emphasis was given to the point that under no circumstances would the internal organisation or affairs of any of these Rifle Clubs be interfered with by the parent-body. It was also proposed that individual full membership should be open to past and present members of the Services, Volunteers, Police and Police Reservists, and those who, being employed in Government or Mercantile Marine Service could not join the Volunteers. Other proposals dealt with the desirability of a Council being formed which would be responsible for the organisation and activities of the Association, and which should be thoroughly representative of the units and clubs affiliated to it, while the holding of a local prize meeting on the lines of the Imperial Meeting held at Bisley each July was declared to be the very lifeblood of any Rifle Association. It was also stated that a Year-Book would be found to be a necessity, and that the holding of an annual dinner would be eminently desirable in that it

would bring together all those who were keen on rifle-shooting. The final proposal was that no Association was likely to flourish unless it possessed its own Club-house.

The foregoing were the more important proposals put forward at that inaugural meeting, and we have mentioned them in detail for the simple reason that not only have all of them come to fruition, in the short space of just over two years, but the Colony now possesses not only the largest rifle organisation in the Empire affiliated to the National Rifle Association at home, but has grown in membership in such outstanding fashion as to call for special mention by a Cabinet Minister in London. Actually we believe that the H.K.R.A. is by far the largest club of any kind in Hong Kong, for we are informed that the individual full membership to-day is not far short of 700, with an affiliated membership eight times larger.

Whether it be in Hong Kong, or in any other Colony in the Empire, the rapid growth of an organisation such as the one in question calls for comment, and this is particularly the case here where there is no doubt that the somewhat limited facilities at present available in the way of range accommodation have made matters difficult for the Council. We have watched the activities of the H.K.R.A. since its inception with considerable interest, and the account which was published in yesterday's issue shows progress which can only be described as astounding. The increase in entries for the individual squadded events at the Prize Meeting held last April from 874 in 1936 to 1,873, and the fact that 390 individual full members joined the Association during the present year, show a state of affairs which is adequate testimony of the virility of this Association. The former Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, gave the Association his unstinted support in every direction possible, and the fact that his successor, His Excellency Sir Geoffrey Northcote, has consented to become the second Patron of the Association is all the more welcome to its members, since Sir Geoffrey not only personally attended the Imperial Meeting last summer, but was responsible for bringing a team to that meeting, from British Guiana, with the most praiseworthy results.

We feel that Hong Kong should be proud of its Rifle Association, which we note has now extended its activities to "miniature" and "claybird" shooting, and we consider that the fact that it has managed to carry out the programme laid down at the inaugural meeting without appealing to Government for any financial assistance is a welcome proof of the intention of the Council that the H.K.R.A. shall stand on its own feet. Of the value of an organisation such as this from the point-of-view of the defence of this Colony, there can be no possible doubt, and in these troublous times when war "unofficially," if not "officially," is being waged all round us, we would urge those who are eligible for membership, but who have not joined this Association, to consider seriously whether duty alone does not demand action of this kind.

BOMBS AND CHERRY BLOSSOMS

Although America has officially accepted the Japanese Government's apologies for the sinking of the U.S.S. Panay and the incident is now regarded as closed, there is little doubt that no small measure of distrust of Japan's assurances and guarantees still exists in American minds. The Japanese Foreign Minister's reply to Mr. Cordell

HONG KONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION

RETURN MATCH BETWEEN 4TH SUBMARINE FLOTILLA AND MIDDLESEX REGIMENT

Yesterday afternoon there were between 60 and 70 members who attended the usual mid-week Spoon and Practice Shoot on the Army Ranges, but the varying light and wind proved to be once again troublesome to many of the competitors. As will be seen from the results given below, C.F.O. Fellow of the Naval Range Staff, Stonecutters, won the spoon awarded for the best nett score in the S.R. (b) series, while Stoker Robinson of the same Service took the "handicap" spoon. In the S.R. (a) class spoons were won by Pte. Cranston and L/Cpl. MacDonald of the 1st Bn. The Seaforth Highlanders, and Pte. Middleton of the 1st Bn. The Middlesex Regiment.

Concurrently with the above shoot a return match was held between the Fourth Submarine Flotilla Rifle Club and that of the 1st Battalion The Middlesex Regiment. Once again the soldiers had to take second place, in spite of the generous handicap of 58 points which was given to their team, in order to compensate for their having to use the S.R. (a)

rifle, as opposed to the universal use of the S.R. (b) weapon, in the case of the sailors.

One of the Bronze Medals presented recently to the Fourth Submarine Flotilla R.C. was awarded to the individual who made the highest score amongst the members of the Royal Navy who were shooting on this occasion. It was won by E.R.A. Haynes, who tied with Lieut. Jenks with an aggregate of 93, but in accordance with the Regulations, the first-named took the Medal for the reason that he made the highest score at the longest distance.

The Year-Book will be available on or about January 15, and those members who may be proceeding to other parts of the Empire before that date, are requested, if they desire to receive a copy, to forward their new address to the Honorary Secretary of the Association. Failing this, no copies will be sent overseas.

Owing to pressure on space detailed scores of yesterday's shoot have been held over and will appear in to-morrow's issue.

BELGIUM GIVES TO CHINA RELIEF

Brussels, Dec. 28.

The Belgian Government headed with a 100,000 francs donation an appeal by the Red Cross Committee to air victims of the Chinese war.

The national appeal has had very happy results, states the Committee. A Belgian organisation has been formed in Shanghai and is starting work immediately—*Reuter*.

Hull's protest is vague and evasive, and nothing in it suggests that Japan is sincerely repentant.

Whatever other previous incidents might have been, the Panay bombing has been shown by the irrefutable evidence of survivors to be deliberate and part of a planned course of action. This is strenuously denied by Japan. That Mr. Hirota has gone so far as to admit that the men and weapons which caused the disaster were Japanese is surprising in view of the extraordinary statement of an officer of the Japanese General Staff who said, "Neither the Japanese army nor navy were responsible for the Panay incident. The disaster was due to a chain of unfortunate circumstances, and nothing else."

There cannot be "unfortunate circumstances," however, without some unfortunate cause. By stating that she has taken and will take further steps to prevent a recurrence of incidents of such nature, Japan may be understood to mean that she shall eradicate all such unfortunate causes. Yet Admiral Suetsugu, a Cabinet Minister and one of the "big guns" in Japanese politics, coincidentally gives a contradictory impression by saying to the correspondent of the "Paris Soir" that occurrences such as the Panay bombardment were unavoidable and that their repetition in some form or other was quite within the realm of possibility.

Japan's words cannot be trusted. She holds up a sprig of cherry blossom with one hand, but conceals a bomb in the other. In accepting Japan's reply at face value President Roosevelt is acting in the larger interest of peace, but it is to be noticed that he has not placed sole reliance on the promises of the Japanese Government. The President is more likely to have based his decision on the deep impression which the affair has caused within Japan, a factor of public opinion which it is hoped would have a restraining effect upon the irresponsible militarists of that nation.

25 YEARS TEACHER OF MUSIC

Prof. Gualdi "At Home" Yesterday

Prof. Elise Gualdi was "At Home" yesterday to his many pupils, friends and members of the Choral Group, of which he is conductor, at his studio in Nathan Road, Kowloon.

The occasion marked the 25th anniversary of Prof. Gualdi's debut as a teacher of music, and he was the recipient of hearty congratulations from those present, who included Prof. E. Pellegatti, Mr. G. D'Aquino, Mr. Li Chor-chi, Dr. H. Talbot, Mrs. Sylvia Choy, Miss Norma Hyndman, Mr. Jack Suiter, Mr. Alec Greaves, Miss Mary Chan, Miss Gloria Lau and Mr. H. Wood.

Prof. Pellegatti entertained the company with "cello solos, accompanied by Prof. Gualdi, and the latter's pupils also contributed several songs. It is understood that as a jubilee effort, Prof. Gualdi will endeavour to stage the two operas, "Cavalleria Rusticana" (Mascagni) and "La Serva Padrona" (Pergolesi), if sufficient support is forthcoming, some time in the Spring of next year.

POLICE COMMISSIONER MISSING

Chengchow, Dec. 29: Colonel Hsiao Shan-ling, Nanking Police Commissioner, is reported to have been missing since the occupation of the capital by the Japanese troops on December 13.

Colonel Hsiao stuck to his post until the last moment when the Japanese troops had broken into the city, and an order for general withdrawal was issued by the Chinese military command. With a batch of police he proceeded to the Hslovak Bund, where they boarded sampans to cross over to Pukow. The Japanese warships off the bund fired heavily at all vessels in the river, many of which were hit and overturned. It was at this moment that Colonel Hsiao was noticed missing.—*Central News*.

ROYAL CUP FOR POLO

King Christian of Denmark has announced his intention of offering a cup for competition during the polo season at Cannes.

The Police are offering a reward of \$50 for the apprehension of the culprit in connection with the following:—

On Tuesday night an Indian constable was found in an unconscious condition in Macdonnell Road near Monmouth Path. His revolver was missing from his holster and his left eye was cut. The injured man was removed to the Queen Mary Hospital.

ADVANCE ON TSINGTAO CHECKED

Japanese Plan Thrust To Cut Off Chinese Troops

Hankow, Dec. 29: The Japanese advance on Tsingtao has been held up by Chinese at Wihshien, according to despatches received here. The Mayor of the town has ordered its evacuation by the civilian population and the destruction of all public buildings before Japanese occupation. Only a few thousand Chinese troops are still left in the town, and they have been formed into guerrilla bodies.

Part of the Chinese army formerly stationed in Tsingtao is said to be on its way to Wihshien while another part is marching southward in the direction of the Lung-hai Railway. It is generally believed here that the Japanese will endeavour, by means of a thrust from their base at Poshan, to cut off the latest movements of the Chinese troops.

HANGCHOW FRONT

The Chinese defensive positions now run in a line extending from Poshan to Chanchin via Talyuan-fu. These positions were to-day subjected to incessant bombing by Japanese planes.

On the Hangchow front the Japanese are reported to be busily engaged in strengthening their positions. The situation on this front, which runs along the southern sector of the railway from Tientsin to Pukow, is unchanged.

JAPANESE DIFFICULTY

The Japanese have considerable difficulty in maintaining their positions between Fuyang and Tunglu on the Sienfang River, where Chinese are waging guerrilla warfare and the Japanese forces are numerically weak. It is believed that unless the Japanese receive reinforcements at the last minute it will be impossible for them to maintain their positions there.

In Shansi Province, the Chinese are apparently contemplating early resumption of hostilities, and the Governor of the Province, General Yen Hsi-shen, is now here for the purpose of discussing future operations with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. In "Informed quarters," there is a hint of the possibility of a concentration of large numbers of troops in Shansi.

Transocean.

BUSINESS ACTIVITY IN PARIS WILL BE PARALYSED

TRANSPORT WORKERS' STRIKE GRAVE

Paris, Dec. 29: The general strike of transport workers is causing considerable uneasiness since it is impossible as yet to foresee the effect it will have on the entire economic life of the capital. It is, however, certain that business activity will be to some extent paralysed and it is doubtful whether department stores and other big undertakings will be able to remain open since the vast majority of their employees depend on underground railways or motor-buses for transportation.

It is pointed out that the present strike differs from similar ones in the past which never lasted longer than twenty-four hours whereas the duration of this strike declared on Tuesday is not limited. It is now announced that those taxicab chauffeurs who have not yet joined in the strike have summoned the Government to withdraw immediately military lorries serving to convey goods to markets or to transport newspapers. In the event of this demand being refused the chauffeurs in question threaten a strike in their own turn. On the other hand should the demand be granted, and military lorries be withdrawn, the supply of goods to the inhabitants would be gravely imperilled. In this connection the paper "Epoque" asks whether the authorities will prove equal to their heavy responsibilities. The "Echo de Paris" which describes the new conflict as the gravest which the capital has experienced for a long time stresses the necessity for the Government to maintain its authority unimpaired in the interest of the maintenance of social peace.

Transocean News Service.

MONTHLY BONUS DEMANDED

Paris, Dec. 29: A greatly increased number of motor lorries driven by soldiers appeared in the city this morning and indicated that despite the extension of the transport strike the Government is determined to maintain the supply of food to the Paris markets and distribution of newspapers in the neighbourhood of Paris. So far

MORE HANKOW REFUGEES

Over 300 Coming To Hong Kong

Hankow, Dec. 29: Another batch of over 300 refugees are leaving here at 9 a.m. to-morrow for Hong Kong in a train of thirteen coaches. Booking opened this morning at the local British Naval Canteen and by 3 p.m. 305 passengers had booked including 126 from Hankow, 52 from Changsha, 137 from Kuling, Klukang and Nanchang. The latter includes many students of the faculty of the Kuling American School.

Once again the train will present a colourful sight. Flags of many nations will be attached to each wagon. The train comprises six second class coaches the far, for which is \$30 per person; three third class coaches (fare \$15), also a luggage van, dining car, heavy baggage van and service car.

A party of 137 came to Hankow yesterday in the steamer Woosung and will remain on board until the train leaves to-morrow. The Woosung party includes 58 children, 52 women and 29 men.

Reuter.

JAPANESE BOMBERS RAID SHAN
Shan, Dec. 29: Tension prevailed in Shan at four o'clock this afternoon when an alarm was sounded of approaching Japanese planes from Shansi.

Eight Japanese bombers of the heavy type were sighted at 4.40 o'clock. Flying at a high altitude for fear of Chinese anti-aircraft gun fire, the planes circled over the city for half an hour and dropped about forty missiles on the western suburbs.

The "all clear" signal was sounded at 5.20 p.m. when the raiders left in a north-easterly direction. An investigation later shows that about twenty civilian houses were destroyed. No casualties resulted.

Central News.

ARMED ESCORT FOR FILM OF PANAY INCIDENT

\$350,000 Insurance

New York, Dec. 29: Under the eyes of armed guards the film depicting the destruction of the U.S. gunboat Panay in the Yangtze is being flown across the United States from California and is scheduled to arrive here this morning and will probably be exhibited this evening.

Elaborate plans have been made for the safe conduct of the film, which is insured for \$350,000 from Newark, New Jersey, where the plane will land to New York Proper. An armoured car will be used and Governor Hoffman with a squad of New Jersey State police will escort the car as far as Holland Tunnel where the New York Police will meet them.

Over twenty Police and Federal agents, heavily armed, directed the loading of the film in California before its trans-Pacific crossing by the flying boat China Clipper.—Reuter.

ULTIMATUM TO GOVERNOR OF SHANSI

EXTERMINATION IS THREATENED BY JAPANESE

Shanghai, Dec. 29: An ultimatum giving General Yen Hsi-shan, Governor of Shansi, until tonight to-morrow to sever relations with Chiang Kai-shek's regime and co-operate with the Japanese is contained in leaflets dropped in the towns of southern Shansi to-day from Japanese planes.

The ultimatum asks Gen. Yen Hsi-shan to surrender immediately in "order to co-operate with the Japanese Army in maintaining peace and order in North China," and threatens that the Japanese Army will take immediate and drastic steps to exterminate Gen. Yen Hsi-shan and his troops if he does not comply but promises every consideration if he should agree.—Reuter.

WANG CHING-WEI RESIGNS POST

Hankow, Dec. 29: The resignations of Mr. Wang Ching-wei as President of the Central Political Council, and Mr. Chang Chun as secretary general of the Council, were accepted by the Central Executive Committee on December 27, it was reported to-day.

Mr. Wang's place, it is reported will be filled by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, while Mr. Chang Chi-tsun, editor of the "Tai Kung Pao," is mentioned as a successor to Mr. Chang Chun.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei will probably take a trip abroad as a leisurely ambassador-at-large.—International News Agency.

JAPAN TO REDEEM STEELING BONDS

Tokyo, Dec. 29: The Japanese Government has decided to redeem on January 1 sterling bonds amounting to £144,920 sterling at face value, bearing 5½ per cent. interest, with 935,908 yen from the sinking funds.—Reuter.

'CAPITAL BUDGET' FOR JAPAN

Tokyo, Dec. 29: The Ministry of Finance has decided to compile a "capital budget" with a view to strengthening the control of capital which it is stated now shows considerably satisfactory result. The Ministry of Finance is promulgating the necessary ministerial ordinance to be brought into effect on January 4. By virtue of the ordinance private concerns whose capitalisation is over half a million yen or are planning to have increased capitalisation of over half a million yen during 1937 will be obliged to submit to the new enterprise plan including the enlargement business scales by February 15 to the Ministry of Finance through the Bank of Japan whereby the Finance Ministry will draw up the capital budget.—Reuter.

JAPANESE WARSHIPS IN SANMEN BAY

Ningpo, Dec. 29: Japanese warships are sighted cruising the waters off Sanmen Bay, south of the Hangshang Harbour, off the Chekiang coast.

In view of the hostilities on the two banks of the Chientang River, trains on the Ningpo-Hangchow Railway run as far as the Tsao-niao River, employees on the Tsao-niao section of the line have been withdrawn to a safer region.—Central News.

PACT BETWEEN GERMANY AND RUMANIA

Poland Favours New Cabinet

Berlin, Dec. 29: Owing to the fact that news of the formation of the Goga Cabinet in Bucharest reached Berlin yesterday evening only a few newspapers are in a position to comment on the event this morning. The "Berliner Tageblatt" recalls that the political programme exposed by the new Premier during the electoral campaign clearly revealed the policy advocated by his party, namely, opposition to any co-operation with Soviet Russia which implies antagonism to M. Titulescu who invariably favoured such co-operation.

The paper stresses M. Goga's declaration of "making normal" relations with Germany and of the eventual conclusion of a pact between the two countries. Regarding M. Goga's home policy the paper points out that the new Premier favours strongly national policy and the exclusion of Jewish influence in the social life of Rumania. The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" writes that Goga enjoys the reputation of showing full comprehension of the position of the minorities in Transylvania and the paper attributes this attitude to the fact that Goga, when in Transylvania himself belonged to the minority when Transylvania formed part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.—Transocean News Service.

POLAND PLEASED

Warsaw, Dec. 29: News of the formation of the new Rumanian Cabinet under M. Octavus Goga has been favourably received in Polish political circles which point out that the Rumanian National Christian Party has invariably favoured close alliance between Rumania and Poland and M. Goga himself is a steadfast friend of Poland and is President of the Polish Rumanian Society.—Transocean News Service.

GOVERNMENT NAMED

Bucharest, Dec. 29: The new Rumanian Government formed under the leadership of M. Octavus Goga will be known as the National Christian Peasant Union. The Cabinet is expected to take oath of office very shortly.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

CABINET SWORN IN

Bucharest, Dec. 29: The new Cabinet was sworn in by King Carol last night. King Carol in his address said that the watchword of the policy of the new Cabinet was nationalism, a watchword that was difficult to realise. "I was fully aware of all this when I summoned you," said His Majesty.—Transocean News Service.

SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

For American Navy Programme

Washington, Dec. 29: President F. D. Roosevelt is asking Congress for supplementary estimates for the navy programme according to a report issued at a press conference. Asked if his statement heralded the campaign for "national preparedness" the President replied that such a campaign is not contemplated. Questioned regarding the visit of four United States cruisers to Australia he said that they are only going as they have been invited to attend the celebrations at Sydney next year.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

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GRENAD THROWING INCIDENTS

CHINESE EX-SOLDIER ARRESTED

Alleged Confession

Shanghai, Dec. 29: The man responsible for the hard grenade throwing incident yesterday is an ex-soldier, named Li Hsi-min, aged 30, who allegedly confessed that he belonged to a dare-to-die corps of 24 Chinese soldiers who disguised themselves as coolies and went to Shanghai through the Japanese lines from the war zone for the express purpose of causing loss to life and property among Japanese troops, Japanese banks and large Japanese business and industrial concerns.

The corps had its headquarters in a cheap hotel in an obscure street in the French Concession and had access to a cache of arms.

Li Hsi-min admitted that three accomplices were responsible for the first hand grenade throwing incident on December 27. The police are trying to round up the gang but it is feared they may have fled as a result of Li Hsi-min's arrest. It is understood the Municipal Council will hand over Li Hsi-min to the Japanese authorities if they are requested to do so.—Reuter.

NANZIN RAZED TO GROUND

Japanese Kill 500 Civilians

Hankow, Dec. 29: Nanzin on the south bank of Taihu Lake was practically razed to the ground after its fall to Japanese hands on November 13, according to a new arrival from that town.

Big fires, he said, blazed in the town intermittently for about two weeks. As a result, only about one-tenth of the houses are still standing whilst the rest were reduced to ruins. The number of casualties resulted from repeated Japanese aerial and artillery bombardment before the fall of the town and slaughter after its fall is believed heavy, though no reliable statistics are available.

Wuhang, west of Nanzin, he added, encountered practically the same fate after it was taken by the Japanese on November 24. Large numbers of houses were burnt down and looting was a common sight. As most of the inhabitants had fled from the city, only about 300 were killed.

At Yuankiaw, a small rural town southwest of Wuhang, some 500 civilians were killed by the Japanese, he stated.—Central News.

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CHINESE LAUNCH COUNTER-ATTACK ON FUYANG

Tunglu, Chekiang, Dec. 29: Braving a drenching rain, two columns of Chinese troops launched a fierce counter-attack on Fuyang, about 25 kilometres south of Hangchow, from Tunglu and Hsintung, respectively about 70 and 50 kilometres southwest of Hangchow this morning.

The column from Tunglu arrived at the southern suburbs of the town this afternoon whilst the column from Hsintung succeeded in fighting their way to Tsingyun-kiao, about 10 kilometres west of Hangchow. The capture of Fuyang is believed imminent if no Japanese reinforcements arrive in time to relieve the limited number of Japanese troops stationed in the town.

Meanwhile, Chinese mobile units are active on the Fuyang and

Hangchow highway, greatly menacing Japanese communications between the two towns.—Central News.

CHINESE AGAIN RECAPTURED KWANGTCH

Tunglu, Dec. 29: Military advances received here indicate that the Chinese forces once more recaptured Kwangtch, important highway town on the Anhwei-Chekiang border and are now divided into two columns to push toward Yuhang and Fuyang by way of Changning and Szean respectively.—Central News.

Twenty-six American citizens sailed from Tsingtao yesterday aboard a cargo steamer for Shanghai, states a Reuter's Bulletin Service message from Tsingtao.

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ANNUAL RACE MEETING

February 19, Fixed As First Day Of Carnival

The Annual Race Week will open on Saturday, February 19, next, with twelve races on the programme and below we publish the events for the first and second day:

SATURDAY 19TH FEBRUARY, 1938

1.—11.30 a.m.—The Foochow Cup.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started at least three times at Race Meetings of this Club previous to this Meeting and have never won a race at such Meetings and Griffins of this Meeting allowed 7 lb. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting allowed 12 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One and a Half Miles.

2.—12 noon.—The Maiden Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

3.—12.30 p.m. or 7.—3.30 p.m.—The Sydney Maiden Stakes.—(First or Second).—Winner \$100. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies. Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

4.—1.00 p.m.—The China Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. From the 11 Mile Post (About Five Furlongs).

5.—1.30 p.m. or 6.—3 p.m.—The Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes.—(First or Second Section).—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. Half a Mile.

6.—3 p.m.—The Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes.—(Second Section). (See Race No. 5)

7.—3.30 p.m.—The Sydney Maiden Stakes.—(Second Section). (See Race No. 3)

8.—4 p.m.—The Trial Plate.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

9.—4.30 p.m.—The Valley Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. Six Furlongs.

10.—5 p.m.—The Curragh Handicap.—Winner \$800. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies classified "C" Class as at 31st Dec., 1937. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

11.—5.30 p.m.—The Bendigo Stakes.—Winner \$500. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies. Ponies classified "A" Class as at 31st Dec., 1937, and Griffins of this Meeting, barred. Weight 140 lb. 1 lb. penalty for every \$200 or part thereof won in stakes since 1st January, 1937. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

12.—6 p.m.—The New Stables Plate.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins of this Meeting allowed 7 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

SECOND DAY

MONDAY, 21ST FEBRUARY, 1938

1.—11.30 a.m.—The Mongolian Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of the Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes, 5 lb.; of the Valley Stakes, 7 lb.; penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. From the 11 Mile Post (About Five Furlongs).

2.—12 noon or 12.—4 p.m.—The Perth Plate.—(First or Second Section).—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies. Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners 10 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

3.—12.30 p.m.—The Lusitano Cup.—Presented by Members of the Club Lusitano, with \$600 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner of the Maiden Stakes barred. Winners of other races 7 lb. penalty. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting allowed 10 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. From the 11 Mile Post (About Five Furlongs).

4.—1 p.m.—The Victoria Stakes.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

5.—1.30 p.m.—The Garrison Cup.—Presented by the Officers of the Garrison, with \$600 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Griffins of this Meeting allowed 3 lb. Winners anywhere during 1937, of one race, 3 lb.; of two races, 5 lb.; of three or more races, 7 lb.; at this Meeting, 3 lb.; penalty. Subscription Griffins of previous Seasons, that have not won at least two races at race meetings of this Club, barred. Jockey Allowance. Penalties and allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

6.—3 p.m.—The Exchange Plate.—Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hong Kong. Value \$1,000 to Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockey Allowance. Entrance \$10. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

7.—3.30 p.m.—The Melbourne Cup.—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300. Third \$200. For Australian Ponies of any Season. Weight 140 lb. Winners at any time of one race, 5 lb.; of two races, 10 lb.; of three or more races, 14 lb.; penalty. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

8.—4 p.m.—The Hong Kong Derby.—A Sweepstakes of \$20 each, \$50 additional for Starters with \$3,000 added. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Winner to receive 70 per cent. Second 20 per cent. Third 10 per cent. of the total amount. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies to be ridden by Jockeys who have won at least 10 Official flat races anywhere or Jockeys approved by the Stewards. One and a Half Miles.

9.—4.30 p.m.—The Chater Cup.—Presented, with \$1,000 added for Winner. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, that have started in at least five Extra Meetings of this Club during 1937, and two or three of such Meetings previous to 1st July, 1937, and two or three subsequent to that date. Ponies classified "A" Class as at 31st Dec., 1937, barred. Weight 145 lb. Winners during 1937 or one race, 5 lb.; of two races, 7 lb.; of three or more races, 10 lb. penalty. Subscription Griffins of this Club allowed 5 lb. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One and a Quarter Miles.

10.—5 p.m.—The Challenge Cup.—Value One Hundred Guineas. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. To be won two years consecutively by a Pony or Ponies the bona fide property of the same owner or owners. Winner to receive \$750 and 70 per cent. Second \$300 and 20 per cent. Third \$200 and 10 per cent. of the Entrance Fees until the Cup is finally won. When the Second Pony will receive 75 per cent. and the Third Pony 25 per cent. of the Entrance Fees in addition to the place money. Entrance \$10. One and Three Quarter Miles.

11.—5.30 p.m.—The "Black Rock" Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$300. Third \$200. For China Ponies, bona fide Griffins of this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this Meeting allowed 10 lb. Winners 7 lb. penalty. Jockey Allowance. Allowances accumulative. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

12.—6 p.m.—The Perth Plate.—(Second Section). (See Race No. 2.)

FANLING GOLF

Christmas Meeting Results

(1) Bogey (Far) Fanling Old Course

D. S. Edward (41) and G. C. Wonnall (9), one up, tie.

Other scores:—

T. R. Chanels (9) and Lt.-Cdr. D. Macintyre (13), all square.

D. S. Robb (6), G. R. Cairns (15) and P. H. Scoones (6), one down.

There were 62 entries.

(2) Bogey (Far) New Course

G. M. Park (8) and Col. J. F. King (6), one up.

Park wins as he had the better inward half.

There were 16 entries.

(3) Medal Round, Old Course

(5) Medal Round, Old Course

BIDWELL IN FORM

CLUB DEFEAT NAVY

Rugger Match At Valley

The friendly rugger match between the Club XV and a Navy side from the Small Ships played yesterday on the Club ground resulted in a win for the civilians. A strong Club three-quarter line brought good results and the pack gave them every support. The Navy side had the upper hand in the first half but they fell off in the second and allowed the Club to pile up their score. The game was rather good with a number of fine individual runs. Bidwell scored two of the six tries for the Club.

The teams:—
Club XV:—Nelson, Lammert, Bonnar, Watts, Bidwell, D. Hynes, Henderson, Salter, Pratt, Holden, B. Hynes, Miller, Heath, Harvey, and Lee.

Navy XV:—Smith (Diana), Cairns (Duncan), Pollinghorn (Decoy), Gunn (Defender), Street (Defender), Potter (Diana), Cross (Decoy), Northey (Diana), Adams (Decoy), Traynor (Diana), Oliver (Decoy), Foster (Tamar), Crabble (Diana), Henderson (Decoy) and Gough (Decoy).

In the opening minutes of play the Navy forced their way into the Club area. Street gathering the ball from a scrum passed it along the three-quarters and Potter evaded the Club defenders to place the ball between the sticks for the first try which Adams converted. For the remainder of the first half they enjoyed play in the Club territory but no further tries were registered. The score at the interval was 5-0 in favour of the Navy.

The second half started with the Club three-quarters running in fine formation resulting in a try by Bonnar. Bidwell failed to improve on it. However, Bidwell later made a fine run of about 50 yards and evading Smith placed the ball for a try near the corner line which was not converted. Lammert increased the lead, Bidwell converting the try.

After brief play in midfield, Bidwell registered the best try of the game. Gathering the ball from the Club goal he ran the whole distance of the field and scored, the try being converted. Lee and Lammert each scored a try and the final score was 22-5 in favour of the Club.

LOCAL YACHTING

Sweepstake Races Yesterday

WIN FOR ISOBEL

The sweepstake races of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club sailed yesterday afternoon resulted as follows:—

"A" Class—Started at 14.45
Finished Corr. Pos.
Carpenter 17.10.24 17.10.24 5
(Major B. E. C. Dixon).

Nereld II 17.09.21 17.09.21 4
(Capt. C. B. Barry, R.N.).

Eve 17.08.24 17.08.24 2
(Capt. E. Bader).

Isobel 17.08.11 17.08.11 1
(Dr. L. J. Davis).

Kutlwaake 17.14.11 17.14.11 6
(Miss P. M. King).

Jean 17.09.05 17.09.05 3
(Col. G. C. Gowland).

La Linda 17.15.47 17.15.47 7
(Comm. Mann, S.Y.C.).

Mixed Classes—Started at 14.55
Finished Corr. Pos.
Diana 16.59.33 16.59.33 2
(Mr. J. Gifford Hull).

Aeriel 17.03.37 16.58.01 1
(Mr. C. E. A. Ross).

Eryl 17.21.46 17.07.12 5
(Major J. C. L. Yale).

Atlas 17.19.53 17.06.51 4
(Mr. G. Moffatt Wilson).

Stella 17.16.56 17.01.38 3
(Mr. Pengelly).

Heron 17.25.56 17.11.22 7
(Mr. E. F. Stanley).

Nannette 17.27.54 17.11.48 8
(Lt.-Cdr. W. H. Graves).

Gael 17.37.51 17.09.29 6
(Major G. T. L. Archer).

G. R. Cairns 84-15—89 wins.
Other scores Lt.-Cdr. D. Macintyre 84-13—71, and D. S. Edward 78-4—72.

There were 31 entries.
Mixed Bogey Competition (New Course)
Lt.-Cdr. D. Macintyre and Miss J. Duke, 1 down, win.
There were 23 entries.

TRAINING GALLOPS

Times Taken At Happy Valley

The following times were taken during the training gallops at the Race Course yesterday:—

	Dis- tance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	4th Qr.	5th Qr.	Last Qr.
Sea That (A)	1	44	1.19	1.52	2.22		30
Lily (A)	2	43	1.24	1.57.4			33.4
Jobber (G)	1	42	1.19.3	1.57	2.28.1		31.1
Cameronian (G)	2	38.2	1.14.1	1.45.3			31.2
National Pride (G) & National Defence (G)	1	39	1.13.1	1.45.4	2.18.2		32.3
Sunlight View (G)	2	43.1	1.20	1.50.1			30.1
Australian Pony No. 45 (A)	1	43	1.21.2	1.56.1	2.26.1		30
Sea Imp (A) & Sea Ur- chin (A)	1	42.3	1.23	1.59.2	2.32		32.3
Fel Ying (S)	1	40	1.18.2	1.54.1	2.25.4		31.3
Louis XIV (S) & The Great Triumph (S)	1	41.2	1.20.4	1.53	2.31.2		33.2
Lucky Lad (A) & Rose Josephine (A)	1	44	1.22	1.54	2.22.1		28.1
Black Tim (A)	1	47	1.33.2	2.14	2.47		33
Arabian Cat (S)	1	39	1.11.4	1.43			31.1
Golden Brew (S) & The Scholar (S)	1	39.1	1.18	1.53	2.34.3		36.3
Borrachillo (S) & Piet Heln (S)	1	50	1.30.4	2.09	2.43		34
Split Hand (S) & Sea Dragon (S)	1	50.4	1.36	2.19.1	2.59.2	3.35	35.3
Australian Pony No. 23 (A)	2	35.2	35.2	1.05.1	1.33.3		28.2
Moonlight View (G)	1	42	1.21	1.56	2.26.4		30.4
Be Yourself (S), Smiling Thru (S) & Lucky Seven (S)	1	46	1.30	2.11	2.45		34
Acme (S) & Sub-Griffin No. 79 (S)	1	41.1	1.23.3	2.03	2.38.3		35.3
Astrik (S) & Sunshine Susie (S)	1	50	1.35	2.17	2.49		32
The Leopard (S)	2	43.3	1.25.2	1.58.2			33
African Cat (S) & Mon- golian Cat (S)	1	42.2	1.23	1.57.3	2.31.3		34
National Dignity (S)	1	42	1.19	1.53.2	2.28.2		35
Lucky Eleven (S), Full Mark (S) & Micky Glitters (S)	1	45	1.26.2	2.01.3			35.1
Golden Cow (S) & Dark Hazard (S)	1	44.1	1.23.2	1.59.4	2.32.3		32.4
Jack High (S) & Cleve (S)	1	48	1.30	2.09	2.42		33
Sub-Griffin No. 104 (S)	2	37.1	1.11.1	1.45.1			34
Rexiana (S), Five Rulers (S) & Five Virtues (S)	1	45	1.27	2.06	2.39.2		33.2
Australian Pony No. 37 (A) & No. 44 (A)	2	34	1.06	1.36			30
Gold Dollar (S) & Sub- Griffin No. 56 (S)	1	45	1.24.3	2.00.1	2.34.2		34.1
Cricketer (S) & Mac's Second Venture (S)	1	40	1.18.4	1.56.1	2.31.2		35.1
Victory (S) & Sub- Griffin No. 120 (S)	2	42.4	1.24.2	2.00.1			35.4
Urber (S) & Daddy Long-Legs (S)	1	48	1.32	2.12.2	2.46.2		34
Golden Idol (S) & Eagle (S)	1	41	1.20	1.59	2.36		37
Lancashire Chap (S)	1	41	1.20	1.59	2.36		37
Merrick (S)	1	54	1.38	2.16.1	2.48.2		32.1

NINE GOALS NETTED

Seaforths' Football Final At Sookunpoo

LINDSEY SCORES TWO FOR "B" COMPANY

A fine rally gave "B" Coy. three additional goals and victory by six goals to three over "S" Coy. in the final of the Seaforth Highlanders Inter-Company football competition played on the Army ground, Sookunpoo, yesterday afternoon.

Good football was witnessed. The game was fast and full of thrills and the passing and shooting was better than usually seen locally. Although the score indicates a marked superiority in the strength of the "B" Coy., side, play generally was even and both teams had their opportunities and the forwards of "B" made the most of them.

Forsythe playing in goal brought off many brilliant saves and Webster on the other side played a good defence game in the "B" eleven. His positional play was delightful to watch and he was instrumental in frustrating many an attack. Spears in the inter-mediate line initiated a number of splendid attacks.

The teams were as follows:—
"B" Coy:—Ward, Webster, Alexander, McKullun, Spears, Cook, Bradley, Williamson, Lindsey, Macwiggan and Matheson.

"S" Coy:—Forsythe, Smith, Laurie, McNeil, McCusker, Rye, Robertson, Chille, McNeil, Jameson and Adams.

"B" Coy kicked off and had the advantage of a slight breeze and soon took the ball into their opponents' territory. Lindsey gathering the ball from a centre scored the opening goal within the first minute of play. After a brief spell of midfield play a foul was given against Spears several yards outside the penalty area. Rye taking the kick passed the ball to McNeil who scored the equaliser. Soon after Williamson put "B" Coy in the lead again with a neat drive.

The "B" Coy team appeared to have a slight edge over their opponents and were doing most of the attacking. Lindsey went through on his own and tested Forsythe with a ground shot which brought the latter on all fours to effect a beautiful save. From a

corner kick McNeil equalised for "S" Coy and the score at half-time was 2-2.

Shortly after the interval "S" Coy again took the lead when Spears' drive found the net. To this Adams replied, cutting in from the corner to score from a difficult angle. The pace set by "B" Coy was fast and their opponents were unable to keep stride and though they staged raids, none of them materialised. Towards the end "B" Coy had matters practically their own way and three goals came in rapid succession. Lindsey, Matheson and Macwiggan, respectively, being responsible for them.

At the conclusion of the match, "B" Coy was presented with the Challenge Cup and medals by the Commanding Officer, Major R. A. Wolfe-Murray.

Sporting Fixtures

TO-DAY

Meeting—Victoria Chess Club, at Gloucester Hotel, 5 p.m.

Racing—Auction of China Ponies at Jockey Club Paddock, 5.15 p.m.

Shooting.—N. R. A. Overseas Match (Kowloon City Ranges), 2 p.m.

Tennis.—R.A.O.C. Association (Ladies Branch) Tennis at Sookunpoo.

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Mainly About
GolfHENRY COTTON'S NEW
BACHELOR HOMEFamous bachelor golf profes-
sional, Henry Cotton, has gone one
better than the people in the film
"Lost Horizon," who found Shangri-
La, the land where nobody is ill or
worried and nobody grows old.He has designed his own Shangri-
La. That is the name he has given
to the 1950 model house he has
had built on the edge of Ashridge
golf course, near here, where he
is professional.He has embodied in the house
ideas picked up in houses where he
has been a guest in Britain, on
the Continent and in America, at
housing exhibitions and in hotels."The name 'Shangri-La' was an
afterthought," he explained, as he
showed a visitor through the light
oak front door, and into the
primrose-coloured tiled room at
one side of the entrance hall,
where guests may wash, powder
noses, and remove all traces of
golf."For years I have been planning
an ideal home. I never thought
about what it would look like
from the outside."You might say I designed the
rooms, and then had walls thrown
up around them. I worked out the
idea while I was professional at
the Waterloo Golf Club, in
Belgium."Big establishment for a bache-
lor, you say? Well, I like comfort,
I like people to visit me, and I
keep a fair-sized staff."Planned the kitchen myself—not
so bad for a bachelor?" he said.All the cupboards and wardrobes
in the house have an electrical
device which, when the door is
opened, switches on a light.Cunningly-designed windows en-
sure that each room has the max-
imum amount of sunshine.Most striking are the bathrooms
—one for Mr. Cotton and one to
each of the three guest bedrooms.Mr. Cotton's own bathroom has
plateglass walls, backed with
pewter. He switched on the light.
It lit up the walls with a moonlight
effect."After a day on the links, I'll be
able to have moonlight bathing in
my own home," he chuckled.The other bathrooms are as
luxurious. Mr. Cotton is going to
have a hard job staying a bachelor.

KINDNESS REPAID

This is a golf story of kindness re-
warded: It concerns Ryder Cup
player Bill Cox, who won the Sur-
rey open championship at St.
George's Hill, Weybridge, and pro-
ved himself a putting friend in
need to his amateur partner, Count
John de Bendor.Cox had a good round of 71 in
the morning. Count John's score
ran up to 78, chiefly because he
took forty putts.After the round Cox showed his
partner what was wrong. Count
John had been swinging his putter
too slowly, back and forward. No
life in the stroke. Cox's advice was
to give the ball a smart rap.The sequel was a happy part-
nership in the afternoon. Each
player appeared to inspire the
other.Each broke 70: Cox round in 69,
Count John 69, to equal respectively
the professional and amateur re-
cords for the course.Effect of the putting lesson was
that Count John took only 32 putts
all told, and holed three nine-
footers. And Cox, with his aggre-
gate of 139 for 36 holes won the
county title by a margin of two
strokes over the local professional,
veteran Frank Frostick.

GOLF MARATHON

Stan Gard, of North Brighton
Club, New South Wales proposes to
attempt to break the world's mar-
athon golf record, on that course.He is going into training for the
attempt right away.As far as can be ascertained, the
record is held by an American, who
played 246 holes in 21½ hours on
the Purchase County Club's course
in 1931. He walked 70 miles.Gard will start playing at 2.30
a.m., and he anticipates playing 18
rounds (288 holes) by nightfall.This will mean a walk of about
44 miles—if he hits all his shots
straight. Six years ago Gard broke
the world's record (12 rounds two
holes) by two holes on the North
Brighton course.On that occasion he walked 41
miles—and averaged 86 strokes a
round. He lost four balls during
the journey.The pair of North Brighton course
has with a total yardage of 4,777—
2,317 out and 2,460 home.YOUNG AUSTRALIAN'S RECORD
SWIMRobin Biddulph, aged 17, smash-
ed an Empire Games swimming
record by 42/5 sec. recently and
was not extended.He was competing in Manly
Club's 440 yards championship,
and recorded 4 min. 58 3/5 sec.The Empire Games record was
5 min. 3 sec., made by Noel Ryan
at the 1934 London Empire.It was close to the Australian
record of 4.55 2/5, made by Andrew
Charlton."Excepting a Japanese, no youth
of 17 has ever equalled Biddulph's
time," Mr. Dudley Hellmrich com-
mented.

"Even Charlton couldn't equal

it at that age, his best efforts
being 5.11 4/5 and 5.6 when 16
years of age and 4.56 4/5 when 19
years."It is only a question of Bid-
dulph holding his form to gain
Empire Games selection, and that
will rest with his coach."Biddulph stands over six feet,
and weighs around 11 stone. He
is still growing. He has never
been defeated in an age event
since he began competitive swim-
ming five years ago.Noel Ryan, who swam second to
Biddulph was satisfied with his
own time of 5.5, just two seconds
outside his Empire record.EYSTON'S SPEED
TRIUMPHCLIMAX OF SEVEN
YEARS' WORKCapt. G. E. T. Eyston has realised
the dream of every racing motor-
land speed record at 311.42 m.p.h.This is the culminating triumph
of seven years' intensive work, into
which Capt. Eyston has crowded
more record-breaking than any
other man in a lifetime. In all
types and sizes of car, both petrol
and heavy oil driven, he has
broken nearly 250 records over
distances ranging from one kilo-
metre to 24 hours.This last effort—the blue ribbon
of motoring—has needed all his
determination. Arriving at the
Utah Salt Beds at the beginning
of October, he found that strange
course, one of the loneliest spots
in the world, almost useless for
record attempts. Persistent rain
had so softened the crust of dried
salt that his six-ton car Thunder-
bolt sank into it, and ploughed up
deep furrows.

CLUTCH FAILURE

On Oct. 28, the salt, having dried
enough to give him a 10-mile
straight run, he made a first test
of the car, which previously had
never moved at speed under its
own power. On one run he attained
309.6 m.p.h., but was forced to
take his foot off the accelerator
pedal in the middle of the return
run, owing to failure of the dog
clutches which kept the top gear
in engagement.To remedy the fault entailed
many days of hard work, during
which Eyston went out with his
other car, Speed of the Wind and
recaptured from Ab Jenkins, the
American, the world's 12-hour
record.On Nov. 6 he tried the Thunder-
bolt once more, but again the
clutch failed, though not before a
speed of 310.585 m.p.h. had been
recorded in one direction only.
The mechanics reported that the
clutch could be repaired in 10
days, and Eyston went off elk-
hunting.Daily a break-up of the weather
was expected which would have
ended all hopes of the record until
next July. Luckily the rain held
off.

A MONSTER CAR

Thunderbolt is a monster car of
unconventional design, incorporat-
ing Eyston's own ideas. It has
six wheels, all independently
sprung. The rear pair are driven
by the engine without a differen-
tial. The car is steered by the four
wheels in front, the leading pair
having a narrower track than
those behind.The car is driven by two Rolls-
Royce 12-cylinder engines, moun-
ted side by side in the centre of
the chassis; each engine develops
about 3,000 h.p. The chassis was
built at Tipton.Capt. Eyston, who was 40 last
June, is married and has two
daughters. He has been interested
in motor racing ever since he left
Cambridge, and he has been
breaking records year in and year
out since 1931.

TENNIS BALL KILLS HIPPO

Auckland, New Zealand.
A tennis ball has killed Chaka, an
adult male hippopotamus at the
Auckland Zoo.After the animal had myster-
iously died a post-mortem ex-
amination revealed that it had
swallowed a tennis ball. This had
lodged in its stomach and caused
its death.Zoo officials believed that the
ball was thrown into Chaka's
mouth by a visitor several days
before it died.The hippo was born 17 years ago
in a German zoo. It was taken to
London as a "youngster" and was
acquired by Auckland Zoo in 1925
at a cost of £350, excluding
freight and other charges.HOME FOOTBALL
RESULTSAston Villa's Fine
Victory

London, Dec. 28.

Aston Villa rounded off their
Christmas holiday programme with
a decisive victory before their own
supporters to-day when they beat
Barnsley 3-0 and so displaced
Coventry for second place in the
second division of the English
Football League.Queen's Park Rangers assumed
the leadership of the southern
section of the third division when
they beat Swindon on the latter's
ground, and Watford helped them-
selves to a couple of important
points when they soundly thrashed
Torquay, scoring four times with-
out reply.The complete results and the
up-to-date league tables follow.

SECOND DIVISION

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West Ham 3 Norwich 3
Notts F. 2 Manchester U. 3

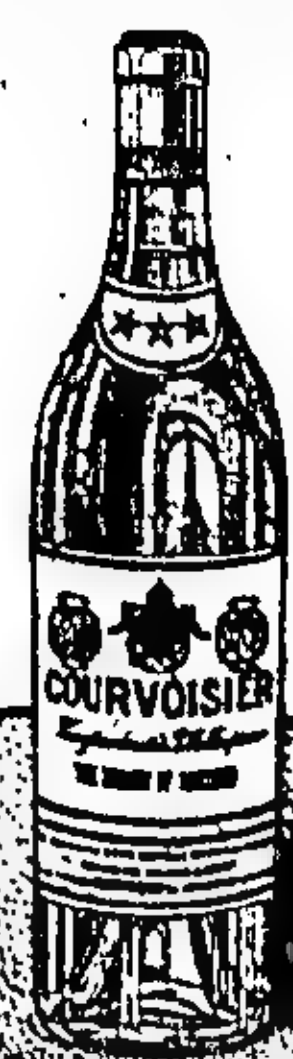
THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Swindon 1 Queen's P.R. 3
Watford 4 Torquay 0
Bristol R. 1 Bristol C. 0Clapton O. 0 Brighton 3
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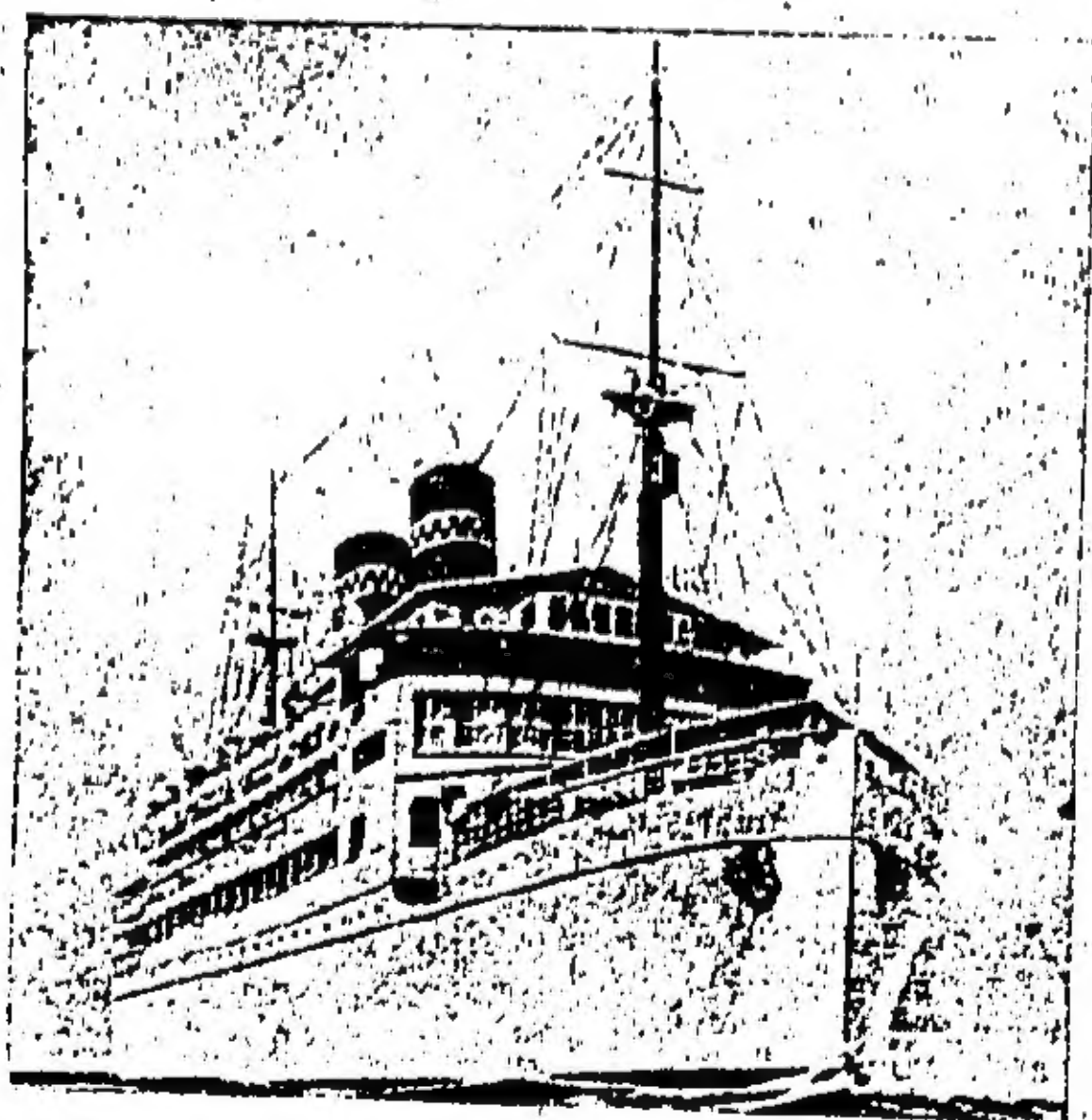
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THE EXCHANGE MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

Silver prices were lower yesterday to the extent of 1/4 for Ready and 1/8 for Forward. Silver advances reported a quiet market with some Indian sales. Speculators bought. After the official fixing, there were buyers at 1/8 over the quoted rate owing to rumours of an American-Mexican agreement. Sellers were reserved. American Silver was quoted at 44 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 499.68. New York-London was quoted at 499.3/4.

MARKET

Steady.
STERLING
Some business was done at 1/3 1/32 for Cash and 1/3 for February and March. The market closed with sellers at 1/3 Dec.-Feb. and 1/2 31/32 March-April, buyers at 1/3 1/32 Cash-March and 1/3 April.

U.S. DOLLARS

There were sellers at 31 1/4 December, 31 3/16 Jan.-Feb. and 31 1/8 March, buyers at 31 5/16 Cash-Jan. and 31 1/4 Feb.-March.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

The market opened with sellers at 106 1/8, buyers at 106 1/4 for Spot leading to business at 106 3/16 and 106 1/8 for Spot. The market closed with sellers at 105 13/16, buyers at 106 for Spot.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Steadier than yesterday. There were sellers of Sterling at 1/2 13/64, buyers at 1/2 7/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars, sellers at 29 9/16, buyers at 29 19/32 for Spot.

SHIPBUILDING'S GOOD YEAR

London, Dec. 28. Shipbuilding has experienced a good year on the Clyde, which starts 1938 with 500,000 tons of merchant shipping on order as well as naval work to value of £50,000,000. For shipbuilding generally, 1937 was made notable by the fact that a greater number of cruisers were completed for the Royal Navy than in any year since the Great War. Seven cruisers, nine destroyers, three submarines, three minesweepers and three motor torpedo boats as well as various experimental craft left the yards and joined the Fleet this year. The Tyne, which has just benefited by two cruisers orders worth £3,000,000, has more than 40 vessels of a combined tonnage of 330,000 tons under construction.

British Wireless.

PANAY INCIDENT AND U.S. TRADE

Paris, Dec. 28. Political circles in the French capital have welcomed the developments which, following the recent exchange of notes, have led to the easing of tension between the United States and Japan. "Le Temps" believes that the American propensity to accept the Japanese apologies and assurances and consider the Panay incident settled is primarily due to the fact that Washington has subjected the whole situation to careful examination. The importance of certain trade figures has been fully realised; that, for instance, the value of the American export trade to Japan amounts to \$200,000,000, against import of Japanese goods to the value of \$150,000,000. On the other hand, the United States exports to China is only \$83,000,000 whilst imports of Chinese goods are valued at \$47,000,000.

These economic considerations, says the French newspaper, are helping to make the American public appear long-suffering, although there are limits to American patience, it adds.

Transocean News Service.

TITULESCU IN VIENNA

Vienna, Dec. 29. Signs and portents of unusual happenings in Rumania are seen in the sudden arrival in the Austrian capital of Nicolas Titulescu, former Foreign Minister who had returned to Bucharest after a long absence in the hope of seeing the elections favour his pro-French policy. He said upon his arrival here that he had come to see a specialist for ear and throat ailments. His visit, he added, had a purely private character.

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YESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

The market was quiet but steady.

BUYERS

R.K. Bank, \$1425.
Douglases, \$481.
H.K. Steamboats, \$820.
Rauba, \$71.
H.K. Tramways, \$1280.
China Lights, \$930.
China Lights Rights, \$435.
H.K. Electric, \$504.
Entertainments, \$520.
Constructions (Old), \$14.
Constructions (New), \$1.

SELLERS

Hong Kong Bank, \$1445.
Providents (New), 20 cts.
H. & S. Hotels, \$5.
H.K. Tramways, \$13.
Hong Kong Mines, 13 cts.
SALES
Union Insurance, \$508/10.
China Lights Rights, \$435.
H.K. Electric, \$504/1/2.

UNREST IN FRANCE

Paris, Dec. 28. Widespread disregard for Government authority in France is causing French senators to shake their heads in despair. Some of them voiced their fears today when the Senate was asked to sanction the Premier's allowance. It did so but not before several senators had given vent to their feelings.

General Stuhl shouted across to where the Premier, M. Chautemps, was sitting, that the time for dilly-dallying and half-measures was over, whereupon the Premier jumped to his feet and asked whether his critic was under the impression that the time for machine-guns had arrived. To this the senator replied that his remarks referred to the social unrest that was rampant throughout the country.

Premier Chautemps again insisted that the Government needed the fullest trust and support of parliament. In the course of the debate reference was made to the situation in Alsace-Lorraine. Senator Mueller contended that the erection of fortifications in that department had deprived it of some of its economic resources and thus worsened its economic position.

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INTOLERABLE PROVOCATION

Paris Dec. 28: A strike is being called as a protest against the decision of the Paris City Council to cut the pay of the lower grades. The Union Joint Committee has issued a statement declaring this to be an intolerable provocation and that the responsibility for any incidents lies with those who provoked them. After the meeting of the Joint Committee, delegates of all Unions concerned met and unanimously approved the strike decision until the City Council accedes to the unions demands.

Reuter.

TARTARESCU RESIGNS

Barcelona, Dec. 28. Rumania is to have an authoritarian non-parliamentary government. This is considered here to be the only solution now that the resignation of the Tartarescu Government has become official. After handing in his resignation to King Carol this afternoon, M. Tartarescu told newspapermen that he had to submit to the verdict of the country as he had not received the expected support in the general elections on December 20.

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ITALO-JAPANESE TRADE TREATY

Tokyo, Dec. 28. The trade treaty between Italy and Japan, for which negotiations have been proceeding for some time, is to be concluded early in January, according to the Asahi Shimbun.

The new trade agreement contains extensions to the former provisions to apply to the new Italian possessions in East Africa.

Transocean News Service.

FORMER RAILWAY DIRECTOR HAS NEW POST

Dairen Dec. 28: Yen Tung, ex-director of the Peiping-Mukden Railway, who is at present in Dairen, is shortly to go to Peiping where he is slated for an important position in the "Provisional Government," according to a Japanese report.

Reuter.

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Record Demand For Space

With still three months to go, the British Industries Fair of 1938 is assured of being an immensely bigger undertaking than even that of this year. A record demand for 943,352 square feet of space has so far been received by the Department of Overseas Trade.

Apart from the Birmingham section, the total area booked in London for this year's fair was 537,400 square feet. Next year's fair is to be held from Feb. 21 to March 4 in Olympia and Earl's Court, London, and at Castle Bromwich, Birmingham.

Buyers from 30 countries have intimated their intention to visit the fair. Holland leads again, Belgium is second, and closely following is the Irish Free State. Then come France, Germany, Denmark and Norway, in that order.

TEXTILES IN DEMAND

Inquiries show that foreign buyers are chiefly interested in textiles, including piece goods and furnishing fabrics. There are also big demands for fancy goods, stationery, machinery—especially printing and electrical equipment—jewellery, leather goods, hardware, pottery and glassware.

Particular national requirements are: Holland.—Textiles, stationery, glassware, toys.
Belgium.—Textiles, electrical equipment, fancy goods.
Irish Free State.—Leather and fancy goods.
France.—Textiles and fancy goods.
Norway.—Machinery and machine tools, textiles, and hardware of all kinds.

HAILE SELASSIE'S APPEAL

London, Dec. 29. Haile Selassie, exiled Emperor of Abyssinia, has sent a telegram to the heads of state of the countries belonging to the Oslo Convention appealing against the proposal made by the Dutch Government to recognise the annexation of Ethiopia by Italy.

"The League of Nations, although showing itself incapable of stopping acts of aggression," he contends, "has nevertheless contributed to the maintenance of peace by upholding the important principle of non-recognition. The telegram concludes, 'In behalf of my people I appeal to you in the hope that your government will be pleased to persevere in the traditional policy of defending international law.'"

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JAPAN REFUSES TO TAKE BLAME

Tokyo, Dec. 29. Informed quarters here declare that Japan's reply to the British protest regarding the bombardment of British warships in the Yangtze River offers certain compensations but that the Japanese Government refuses to assume full responsibility for the incidents. The Japanese Government, so it is said, holds the view that the best way to avoid future incidents would be for British warships to stay outside the zones where military operations are in progress.

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REPUBLICAN TROOPS VICTORIOUS

Barcelona, Dec. 28. It is reported here that Republican troops have now succeeded in capturing the monastery of Santa Teresamin, one of the last strongholds of the defenders of Teruel. They have also captured further buildings in the southern part of the town where a big blaze is rapidly encroaching upon the Bank of Spain building, which is still held by the Nationalists.

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CREATION OF SAFETY ZONES

Shanghai, Dec. 28. In view of the Japanese advance, a movement is afoot among foreign residents in Ningpo for creation of safety zones in Ningpo and Shanghai, according to the Chinese press.

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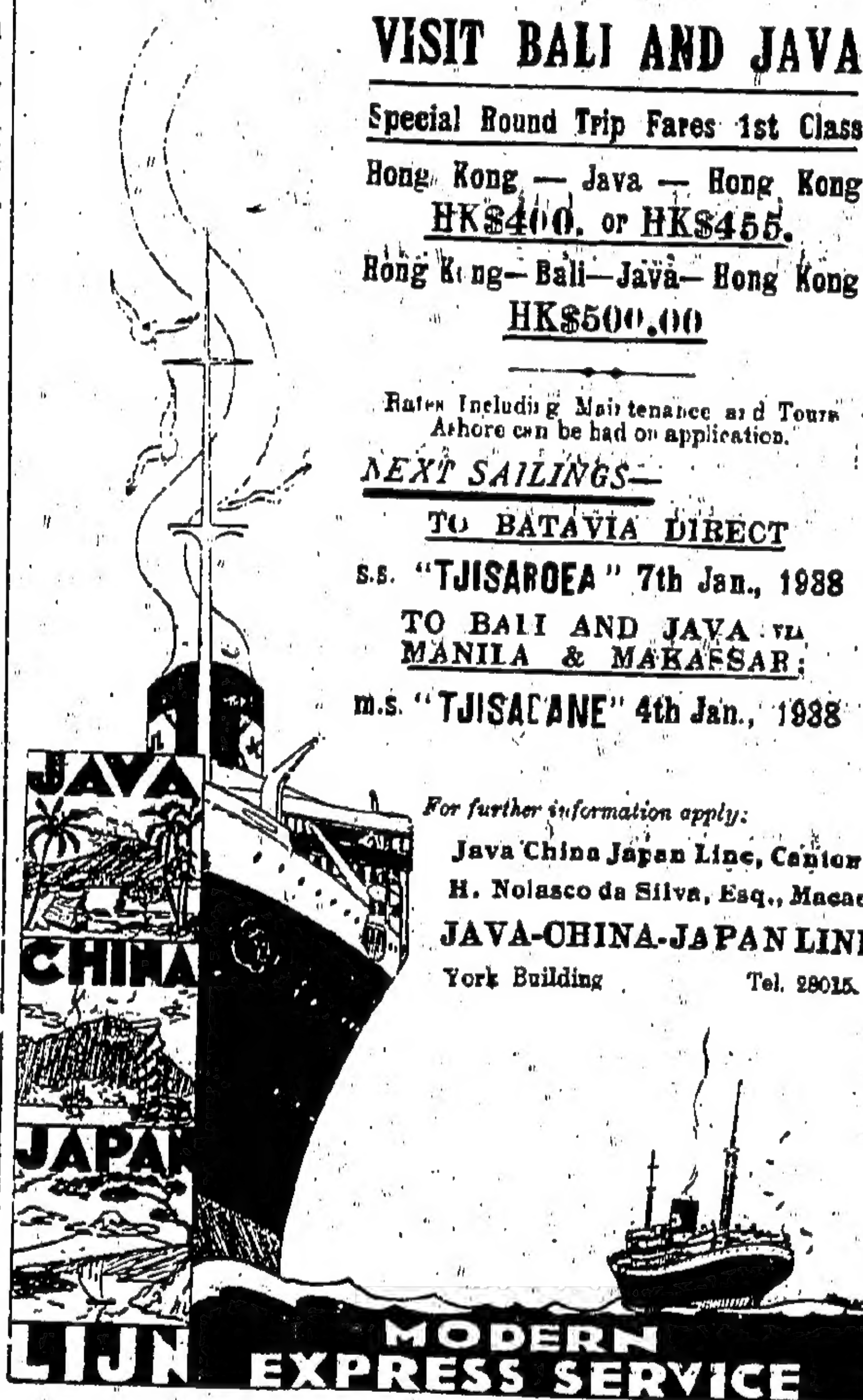
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SWATOW, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	HUPEH	On 4th Jan. 10 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	SUIYANG	On 4th Jan. 5 p.m.
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	SZCHOWEN	On 6th Jan. 3 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	SOOCHOW	On 8th Jan. 9 a.m.
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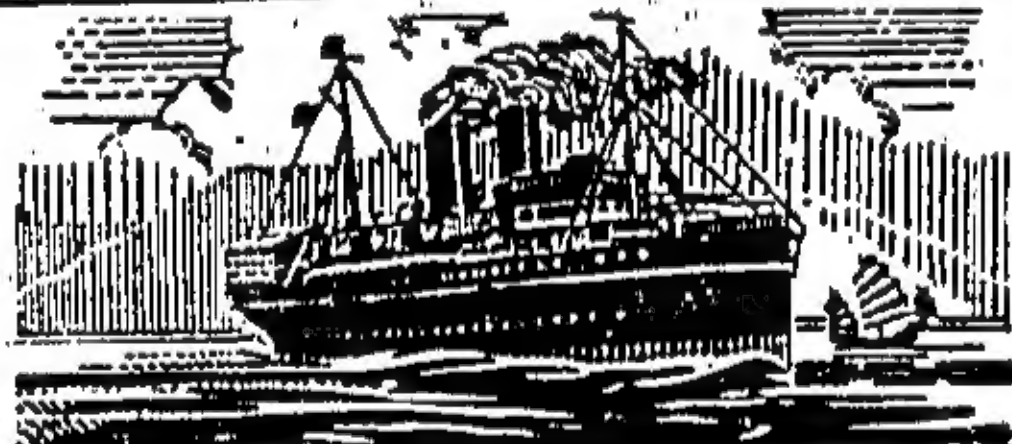
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No. 10 Buoy: Westcott, Thracian.
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No. 12 Buoy: Defender.

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR

French: Dumont D'Urville.
Portuguese: Goncalo Velho.
Chinese: C.M.C. Cruisers (15).
Transports (2), Gunboats (2).

MOVEMENTS

H.M.S. Grimsby is on passage to Tientsin.
H.M.S. Dainty is on way to Hong Kong.
The Troopship Dorsetshire is expected here on or about January 8.

ADVERTISED SAILING FROM HONG KONG

NORTHWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS AND JAPAN

Amoy.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, Dec. 31.
Suiyang, B. & S., Jan. 4.
Shirata, B.I. (Apar), Jan. 6.
Hai Lee, Thoresen's, January 8.
Chefoo.
Kwaiyang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 30.
Ninghai, B. & S., Jan. 4.
Hupeh, B. & S., Jan. 4.
Hangsang, Jardine's, January 7.
Taksang, Jardine's, January 7.
Fausang, Jardine's, January 9.
Dairen.
Antenor, B. & S., Jan. 2.
Kulmerland, Jebson's, January 5.
Fulda, Melchers', January 13.
C. Eastbourne, Bank Line, Jan. 14.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 15.
Talthybius, B. & S., Jan. 18.
Teucer, B. & S., Jan. 20.
Foochow.
Ninghai, B. & S., Jan. 1.
JAPAN.
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, Dec. 31.
Marchen Maersk, Jebson's, January 1.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 3.
Nellere, E. & A. S.S. Co., Jan. 4.
Kulmerland, Jebson's, January 5.
Panama, East Asiatic & Co., January 6.
Shirata, B.I. (Apar), Jan. 6.
Chitral, P. & O., January 7.
Potsdam, Melchers', Jan. 8.
Andre Lebon, Messageries', Jan. 8.
Mausang, Jardine's, Jan. 9.
Tamerlane, Thoresen's, Jan. 9.
Achille, B. & S., Jan. 10.
Talthybius, B. & S., Jan. 18.
Hwang, Jardine's, January 18.
Tongking, East Asiatic & Co., Jan. 20.
Teucer, B. & S., Jan. 20.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., January 20.
Keelung.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 3.
Hong Kong Maru, O.S.K., January 8.
Shanghai.
Kwaiyang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 30.
Luchow, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Kaying, B. & S., Dec. 31.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 31.
Marchen Maersk, Jebson's, January 1.
Houtman, J.C.J. Line, January 3.
Nallora, P. & O., S.S. Co., Jan. 4.
Nallora, P. & O., S.S. Co., Jan. 4.
Hangsang, Jardine's, January 7.
Taksang, Jardine's, January 7.
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Helles, Thoresen's, January 11.
Helios, Thoresen's, January 17.

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Vancouver, B.C.
Talthybius, B. & S., Jan. 18.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., January 20.
Victoria, B.C.
Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, December 31.
Talthybius, B. & S., Jan. 18.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., January 20.

SOUTHWARD

FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports, East and West.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.
Neptuna, Gibb's, January 14.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.
Batavia.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, January 25.
Bangkok.
Yingchow, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Hiram, Thoresen's, January 2.
Hollas, Thoresen's, January 11.
Helios, Thoresen's, January 17.
Batavia.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, January 25.
Belawan-Deli.
Cremer, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Trave, Melchers', January 14.
Brisbane.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.
Calcutta.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.
Cebu.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Anna Maersk, Jebson's, January 6.
Haiphong.
Kwangtung, B. & S., Jan. 2.
Hollow.
Kwangtung, B. & S., Jan. 2.
Hongkong.
Shantung, B. & S., Dec. 30.
Madang.
Neptuna, Gibb's, January 9.
Makassar.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, January 25.
Manila.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollars, December 31.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollars, January 2.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Anna Maersk, Jebson's, January 6.
Patroclus, B. & S., January 11.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., January 14.
Potsdam, Melchers', January 18.
Adriatic, B. & S., January 22.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, January 25.
Melbourne.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.
Neptuna, Gibb's, January 9.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.
Rabaul.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.
Neptuna, Gibb's, January 9.
Salomana.
Neptuna, Gibb's, January 9.
Sandakan.
Hinsang, J.M. & Co., Dec. 31.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.
Tai Sun Hong, J.M. & Co., Jan. 12.
Tjinegara, J.C.J. Line, January 25.
Seorabala.
Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Malayan Prince, Furness', January 11.
Singapore.
Neptuna, Gibb's, January 9.
D'Artagnan, Messageries', January 11.
Sydney.
Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., January 2.
Neptuna, Gibb's, January 9.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.
Townsville.
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.
Thursday Island
Taiping, B. & S., January 14.

WESTWARD
FROM HONG KONG TO EUROPE, AFRICA, ETC.
Aden.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 30.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Gastorck, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 5.
Patroclus, B. & S., January 11.
Corfu, P. & O., January 22.
Algiers.
Nippon, Gilman's, January 29.
Antwerp.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 30.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Gastorck, J.C.J. Line, January 4.
Gleniffer, J.M. & Co., January 5.
Titania, Thoresen's, January 5.
Benmore, Loxley's, January 9.
Nippon, Gilman's, January 29.
Bombay.
Soudan, P. & O., January 1.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollars, Jan. 2.
Conte Verde, Lloyd Triestino, Jan. 2.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., January 8.
Corfu, P. & O., January 22.
Boston and New York.
Marchen Maersk, Jebson's, Jan. 1.
Pres. Van Buren, Dollars, Jan. 2.
Adriatic, B. & S., January 22.
Sanyo Maru, O.S.K., January 25.
Cristobal.
New Orleans, Thoresen's, December 31.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 31.
Marchen Maersk, Jebson's, Jan. 1.
Adriatic, B. & S., January 22.
Sanyo Maru, O.S.K., January 25.
Honolulu.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollars, Jan. 8.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 12.
Los Angeles.
Noto Maru, N.Y.K., Dec. 31.
Pres. Coolidge, Dollars, Jan. 1.
Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 12.
Sanyo Maru, O.S.K., Jan. 25.
Roseville, Bank Line, January 25.
Panama.
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Rakuyo Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 12.
Sanyo Maru, O.S.K., Jan. 25.
Roseville, Bank Line, January 25.
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Adriatic (B. & S.), British steamer, Capt. J. F. Webster, 4,048 tons, arrived Dec. 19 from Manila, general cargo. Berthing at Hoi's Wharf.

Agapenor (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. P. Donaghy, 4,887 tons, arrived Dec. 29 from Singapore. Berthing at Hoi's Wharf.

Athel Prince (Standard Oil & Co.), British str., Capt. R. McG. Spencer, 5,143 tons, arrived Dec. 29 from Swatow. Berthing at Standard Oil Wharf.

Athos II (Messageries), French str., Capt. R. Pouessel, 8,947 tons, arrived here on December 29 from Shanghai. Berthing at Kowloon Wharf.

Barents (J. C. J. Line), Dutch str., Capt. J. F. Kellishock, 2,992 tons, arrived on December 27 from Saigon. Cleared December 29 for Bangkok.

Banewas (W.R. Loxley & Co.), British str., Capt. Cuthbertson, 3,025 tons, arrived Dec. 29 from Singapore. Cleared December 29 for Rangoon.

Binfield (M. M. & Co.), British str., Capt. W. A. J. Walsh, 3,170 tons, arrived Dec. 29 from Singapore. Mooring at buoy No. 12.

Blackheath (Thoresen & Co.), British steamer, Capt. Reid, 2,792 tons, arrived on September 9 from Portland. Lying at North Point.

Canton (M. M. & Co.), French str., Capt. Chas. 943 tons, arrived Dec. 27 from Haiphong, general cargo. Mooring at buoy No. 89.

Chak Sang (J. M. & Co.), British str., Capt. L. McRoe, 1,470 tons, arrived on December 23 from Canton. Mooring at buoy No. 12.

Chengtu (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. R. C. Dyson, 2,775 tons, arrived on December 7 from Saigon. Lying at Stonecutters.

Cremor (J. C. J. Line), Dutch str., Capt. H. J. Ahlers, 2,784 tons, arrived Dec. 29 from Singapore, general cargo. Cleared December 29 for Swatow.

Delagua Maru (N. Y. K.), Japanese str., Capt. H. Kagehima, 4,373 tons, arrived December 16 from Singapore. Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Diamond (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. H. D. Blumey, 4,334 tons, arrived Dec. 14 from Singapore. Berthing at Hoi's Wharf.

Emmy (J. M. & Co.), Greek str., Capt. J. Michalitsianos, 2,474 tons, Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Empress of Asia (C. P. S.), British steamer, Capt. G. Gould, 8,881 tons, arrived at Vancouver on Dec. 28 at midnight 1/2 a.m. and leaves Vancouver on January 8 at 11 a.m. She is due at Hong Kong (berth alongside Kowloon Wharf) on Jan. 27 at a.m. and leaves Kowloon Wharf on Jan. 28 at a.m. after completion of discharge of cargo.

Empress of Russia (C. P. S.), British str., Capt. T. F. Patrick, 8,789 tons, arrived here at 5.30 p.m. on Dec. 29 from Vancouver via Yokohama, Kobe and Nagasaki, general cargo, berthing at Kowloon Wharf. She leaves Kowloon Wharf at 11 a.m. on Dec. 30 for Kowloon Dock for annual overhaul after completion of discharge of cargo.

Eng Lee (Yee Tai Hong), Chinese steamer, Capt. T. Morel, 865 tons, Lying at Taikeo Dock.

Feng Lee (Yee Tai Hong), Chinese str., Capt. Y. Kabayashi, 1,359 tons, Lying at Kowloon Dock.

Foo Shing (J. M. & Co.), British steamer, Capt. Walter, 1,423 tons, arrived on November 18 from Saigon. Mooring at buoy No. 78.

Founder (A. E. Gerould), Italian str., Capt. W. C. Basili, 2,361 tons, arrived Dec. 29 from Hongkong, coal. Berthing at K. M. A. Wharf.

Gertrude Maersk (Johsen & Co.), Danish str., Capt. A. J. Moerman, 3,155 tons, Lying at Taikeo Dock.

G.G. Paul Doumer (M.M. & Co.), French str., Capt. P. B. Morandi, 734 tons, arrived Dec. 25 from Port Bayard. Cleared December 29 for K. C. Wan.

Guyard Diederichsen (Johsen & Co.), Danish str., Capt. R. Nielsen, 1,353 tons, arrived Dec. 29 from Shanghai. Lying at Stonecutters.

Hai Yu (Dodwell & Co.), Chinese steamer, Capt. P. Hook, 2,074 tons, Lying at Stonecutters.

Hai Yu (Dodwell & Co.), Chinese str., Capt. V. Andreassen, 1,988 tons, Lying at Stonecutters.

Hang Sang (J. M. & Co.), British str., Capt. T. Wilkinson, 1,356 tons, arrived on December 29 from Swatow. Berthing at West Point Wharf.

Hin Sang (J. M. & Co.), British steamer, Capt. Hopkins, 1,833 tons, arrived December 24 from Sandakan. Mooring at buoy No. B22.

Hiram (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian steamer, Capt. T. Olstad, 1,108 tons, arrived on December 27 from Swatow. Mooring at buoy No. 84.

Hong Kheng (Ho Thong & Co.), British str., Capt. D. R. Bonnerman, 3,975 tons, arrived Dec. 26 from Singapore, general cargo. Lying at buoy No. A5.

India (John Manners & Co.), British steamer, Capt. R. C. Dyson, 2,775 tons, arrived Dec. 24 from Tientsin, general cargo. Lying at Kowloon Bay.

Java (East Asiatic & Co.), Danish steamer, Capt. Skjold, 3,525 tons, arrived on November 13 from Kobe. Mooring at buoy No. A4.

Kayang (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. E. H. Histed, 1,572 tons, arrived on December 14 from Canton. Lying at Taikeo Dock.

Kitano Maru (N.Y.K.), Japanese str., Capt. K. Fukuda, 4,526 tons, arrived Dec. 15 from Manila, general cargo. Mooring at buoy No. A7.

Kum Sang (J. M. & Co.), British str., Capt. D. G. Burleigh, 3,341 tons, arrived on December 29 from Milke. Mooring at buoy No. A9.

Kwai Sang (J. M. & Co.), British str., Capt. M. Costello, 1,435 tons, arrived on December 28 from Canton. Mooring at buoy No. B8.

Laila (Berg & Co.), British steamer, Capt. V. Turnbull, 259 tons, arrived Dec. 24 from Saigon, general cargo. Anchorage.

Loosibank (Bank Line), British str., Capt. Stuart, 3,412 tons, arrived on Dec. 26 from Manila, general cargo. Cleared December 28 for Gough Island.

Lyemmon (W. F. Sing), British steamer, Capt. E. Holmes, 1,734 tons, arrived on December 22 from Saigon. Mooring at buoy No. B9.

Mabella (Thoresen & Co.), Norwegian str., Capt. Thorenfeldt, 840 tons, arrived on December 18 from Bangkok. Mooring at buoy No. B10.

Maersk (Thoresen & Co.), Italian str., Capt. C. Francesco, 880 tons, arrived December 23 from La Spezia. Lying at Kowloon Bay.

Moore (M.B.E.), British str., Capt. B. H. Richardson, 4,038 tons, arrived Dec. 26 from Milke, coal. Lying at buoy No. B23.

Nancy Moller (M.B.E.), British str., Capt. R. Duncan, 2,409 tons, arrived Dec. 26 from Muroran, coal. Lying at buoy No. A12.

Nankin (E. & A. S.S. Co.), British steamer, Capt. T. J. Mills, 4,420 tons, left Kobe on Dec. 24 at a.m., and is due here on Dec. 30 at about a.m.

O. B. Sorenson (A.P.C.), Norwegian steamer, Capt. J. Mortensen, 4,598 tons, arrived Dec. 24 from Hankow, general cargo. Lying at Kowloon Bay.

Patella (A. P. C.), British steamer, Capt. V. Blair, 4,328 tons, arrived Hong Kong December 27 from Kobe. Lying at Taikeo Dock.

Paula (A. P. C.), Dutch steamer, Capt. A. J. Moerman, 1,310 tons, arrived on November 18 from Amoy. Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

Shun Chih (W. F. Sing), British steamer, Capt. W. Lee, 1,173 tons, arrived on December 15 from Swatow. Mooring at buoy No. C1.

Sinking (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. Gamble, 1,018 tons, arrived December 21 from Haiphong. Mooring at buoy No. B20.

Skipsa (Gibb, Livingston & Co.), British steamer, Capt. L. Whitehead, 3,031 tons, arrived here December 24 from Los Angeles, cargo—fuel oil, etc. Lying at Junk Bay.

Soudan (P. & O. S.N. Co.), British str., left Shanghai on December 23, and is due here on December 30, at about noon.

Taiyuan (Butterfield & Swire), British str., Capt. T. K. Clark, 2,100 tons, arrived December 23 from Canton. Lying at Taikeo Dock.

Talamba (M. M. & Co.), British str., Capt. D. R. C. Sinclair, 3,844 tons, Lying at Taikeo Dock.

Talpa (B.I. & Apear Line), British str., Capt. C. C. Gwyn, 8,154 tons, will leave Amoy on Dec. 29, and is due here on December 30. Clears on or about Saturday, January 1, 1938, at 10.30 a.m. for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta.

Titan (Butterfield & Swire), British steamer, expected to arrive here from Singapore Dec. 30 at 4 a.m.

Toyama Maru (N. Y. K.), Japanese str., Capt. M. Hamada, 4,388 tons, arrived on December 29 from Sakito. Cleared on the same day for Singapore.

Unita (Dodwell & Co.), Norwegian str., Capt. H. Kwam, 3,345 tons, Lying at Lai Chi Kok.

ARRIVALS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29.

Empress of Russia, British steamer, Capt. T. F. Patrick, 8,789 tons, from Nagasaki, general cargo, berthing at Kowloon Wharf.

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Kum Sang, British steamer, Capt. D. G. Burleigh, 3,341 tons, from Milke, general cargo, mooring at buoy No. A9—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Shantung, British steamer, Capt. J. Whyte, 1,559 tons, from Tigre Island (Canton), mooring at buoy No. B14—B. & S.

Toyama Maru, Japanese steamer, Capt. M. Hamada, 4,388 tons, from Sakito, mooring at buoy No. A9—N. Y. K.

Wing Wah, Portuguese steamer, Capt. Teixeira, 651 tons, from Tourane, general cargo, berthing at Sakong Wharf—Tai Fung & Co.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28.

Kwai Sang, British steamer, Capt. M. Costello, 1,435 tons, from Canton, mooring at buoy No. B8—J. M. & Co.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26.

Binfield, British steamer, Capt. W. A. J. Walsh, 3,170 tons, from Singapore, general cargo, mooring at buoy No. A3—M. M. & Co.

CLEARANCES

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29.

Barents for Bangkok.

Tai Shing for Swatow.

Hanover for Rangoon.

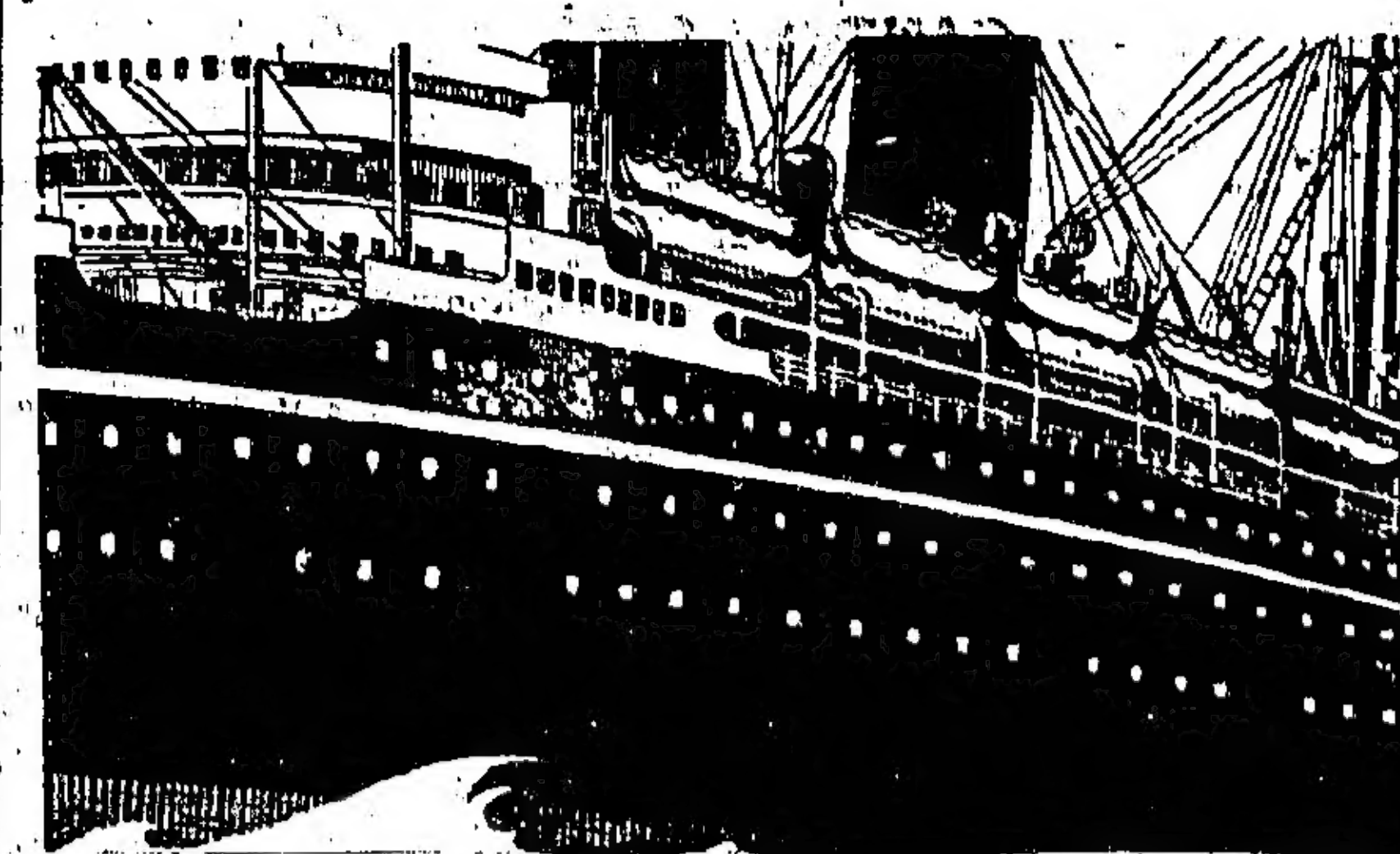
Cremor for Swatow.

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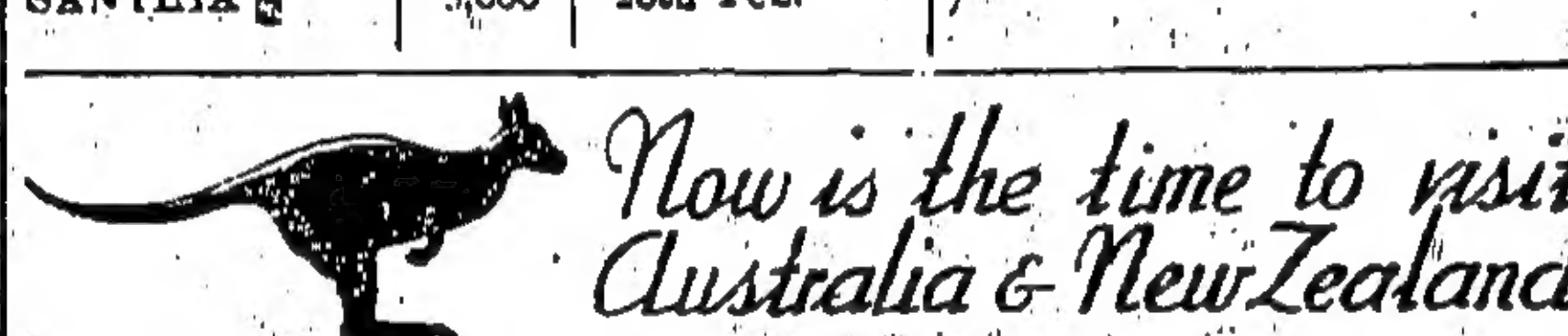
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TILAWA	10,000	20th Jan.	Amoy & Japan
CARTHAGE	14,500	21st Jan.	Shanghai & Japan
SANTHA	5,000	2nd Feb.	Amoy & Japan
COMORIN	15,000	4th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
TANDA	7,000	6th Feb.	Shanghai & Japan
TALMA	10,000	17th Feb.	Amoy & Japan
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